

MINUTES

OF THE

FORTY FIRST SESSION

OF THE

Louisiana Annual Conference

OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH,

HELD AT

Ruston, La., January 5-10, 1887.

REV. BISHOP W. W. DUNCAN, D. D., PRESIDING.

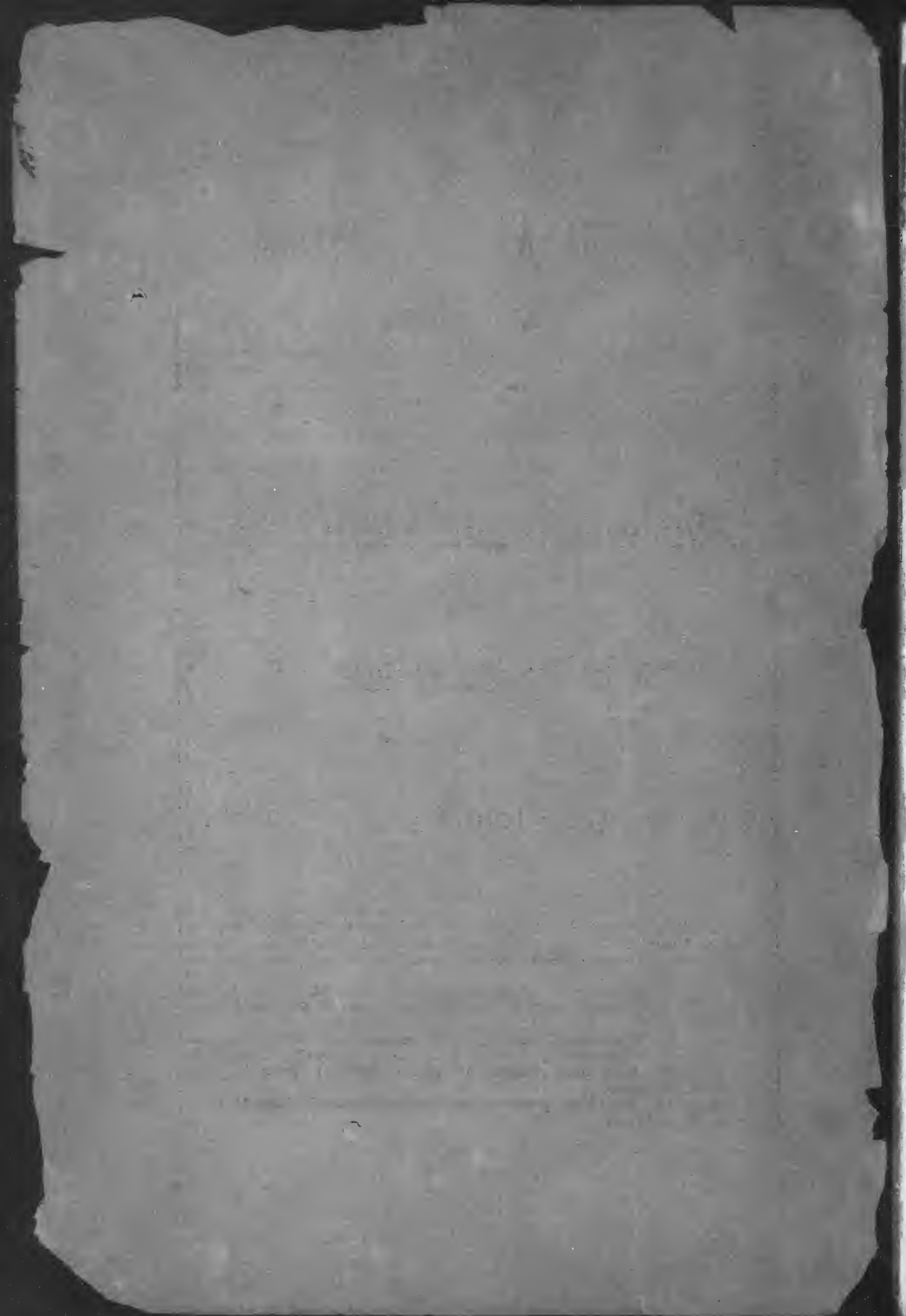
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LOUISIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

MINUTES.

THE Forty First Session of the Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was held in the Church in Ruston, beginning on Wednesday, January 5th, 1887, and adjourned with the night session on Monday, January 10th, 1887; Rev. Bishop W. W. Duncan, D. D., in the chair.

The daily sessions were held from 9:30 A. M., to 2 P. M., and were opened with devotional exercises conducted by Bishop Duncan and various members of the Conference.

Chas. F. Evans was elected Secretary, and Fitzgerald S. Parker, Assistant.

The following members answered to roll call during the session:

Clerical—J. L. Wright, B. F. Alexander, John A. Miller, B. F. White, T. H. McClendon, Jesse Fulton, T. J. Upton, J. H. Stone, John F. Wynn, H. O. White, Charles W. Carter, Marcus C. Manly, R. Parvin, Robert A. Davis, Robert Randle, J. W. Medlock, C. R. Godfrey, George Jackson, George M. Liverman, Reynolds S. Tripett, J. M. Brown, C. Keener, E. B. Foust, T. S. Randle, William Hart, J. D. Harper, Robert S. Isbell, James J. Billingsley, F. G. Hocutt, J. T. Sawyer, J. B. Walker, J. M. Johnston, N. S. Cornell, Lewis A. Reed, James A. Parker, A. A. Cornett, T. K. Faunt Le Roy, J. B. Cassity, A. M. Wailles, Samuel S. Keener, J. L. P. Sheppard, J. M. Beard, R. M. Blocker, Charles T. Munholland, R. S. Collier, S. H. Whatley, Charles F. Evans, B. Carradine, R. J. Harp, Francis M. Grace, S. Halsey Werlein, John M. Davies, William Wimberly, E. B. Galloway, F. D. Van Valkenburg, Thomas B. White, James P. Porter, Jephth Landrum, Daniel C. Barr, J. B. A. Ahrens, C. Kundsén, A. T. Galloway.—68.

Lay—H. Jamieson, G. W. Bruce, Dr. A. S. Helmick, Sam'l Whited, L. R. Lay, T. W. Scott, F. C. Hodges, C. J. Foster, S. B. McCutchen, Rev. Jno. L. Williams, Dr. R. Roberts, W. W. Pattison, A. A. Dean.—13.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial? Robert P. Howell, Sam'l. S. Holliday, Wm. H. Hill, Harry Wm. May.—4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Jeff. D. Jackson, Franklin Parker, Geo. A. Mandeville, C. E. McLean, Fitzg. S. Parker, J. I. Hoffpauir, J. S. Saunders, H. S. Johns, Robt. Harry.—9.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? W. W. Nicholson, at his own request.—1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? H. D. Kimball, H. J. Boltz and Wilson Moore.—3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? Whitmel P. Kimball.—1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? J. B. A. Ahrens, J. J. Blanz, C. Kundsén, P. H. Hensch, H. W. Weise, from the German Mission Conference; Albert T. Galloway, from Little Rock Conference; Joel T. Daves, from East Texas Conference, and J. H. Scruggs, from North Mississippi Conference.—8.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Jno. M. Davies, J. White Davis, Stephen J. Davies, Danl. C. Barr, A. T. Galloway, H. W. Weise, Conrad Kundsén.—7.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Wilson Moore.—1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Wilson Moore.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Jonas M. Joiner, James M. Griggs.—2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Jonas M. Joiner, James M. Griggs.—2.

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Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? S. H. Whatley, Reuben, S. Collier, J. Perry Porter, Wm Wimberly.—4.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? S. H. Whatley, Reub. S. Collier, Jas. P. Porter, Wm. Wimberly.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? J. P. McFarland, Thos. W. Scott.—2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? J. P. McFarland, Thomas W. Scott.—2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? W. R. Whatley.—1. *

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? A. G. Miller, A. M. Wailes.—2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? F. H. Dieffenweirth, Geo. M. Liverman, Jno. Pipes, Jesse Fulton, J. H. Stone, E. W. Yancey, Geo. Jackson, J. White Davis.—8.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during past year? C. W. Hodge, James E. Bradley.—2.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over one by one, and their characters were examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conference? Local preachers, 86; members—white, 15,775; colored 11. For details see statistical table.

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 831. For details see statistical table.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 739. For details see statistical table.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday Schools? 201.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday School teachers? 1170. For details see statistical table.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday School scholars? 9290. For details see statistical table.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$4000.00.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied. Rev. Dr. C. W. Carter, Chairman Joint Board of Finance, presented the following report which was adopted:

COLLECTED.

From the works.....	\$2318 80
“ New Orleans Depository.....	500 00
“ Colvin Bequest.....	14 00
In Suspense.....	5 75
Total.....	\$2838 55

APPLIED.

To widow of R. T. Parish.....	\$140 00	handed to Jas. L. Wright.
To widow of J. S. Davis.....	115 00	handed to J. D. Jackson.
To widow of B. Clegg.....	55 05	handed to S. S. Keener.
To widow of R. R. R. Alexander..	100 00	handed to B. F. Alexander.
To widow of Jno. Wilkinson.....	150 00	handed to S. S. Keener.
To widow of P. M. Goodwyn.....	196 75	handed to C. W. Carter.
To widow of W. D. Stayton..	125 00	handed to J. H. Bonnett.
To widow of J. D. Adams	110 00	handed to H. O. White.
To widow of Jno. G. Krauter	55 00	handed to J. B. A. Ahrens.
To widow of R. M. Crowson.....	115 00	handed to R. Parvin.
To widow of J. Saunders.....	60 00	handed to J. S. Saunders.
To widow of W. Wiemers	55 00	handed to J. B. A. Ahrens.
To widow and orphans of J. Lane Borden..	196 75	handed to C. F. Evans.
To widow and orphan of P. H. Moss.....	40 00	handed to R. Randle.

* Chas. F. Stivers was reported as having withdrawn from the ministry and church.

To superannuate Jno. Pipes..... 300 00...handed to R. J. Harp.
 To superannuate P. H. Dieffenweirth..... 200 00...handed to C. W. Carter.
 To superannuate Geo. M. Liverman..... 275 00...handed to himself.
 To superannuate Jesse Fulton..... 200 00...handed to himself.
 To superannuate E. W. Yancey..... 175 00...handed to E. B. Galloway.
 To superannuate J. H. Stone..... 175 00...handed to T. B. White.

Total.....\$2838 55

A special contribution of \$6.50 for Mrs. J. M. Bradley, was handed to Rev. A. T. Galloway.

APPORTIONMENT FOR 1887.

New Orleans District... ..\$1133 00	Homer District.....\$665 00
Shreveport District..... 635 00	Opelousas District..... 635 00
Delhi District..... 600 00	Alexandria District 332 00

Total.....\$4000 00

BISHOP'S FUND.

Amount of their claim..... \$800 00
 Amount collected from works and handed to Bishop W. W. Duncan, at Conference..... \$510 20
 Amount collected and paid to Bishop Keener..... 180 00
 Total collections..... 690 20

Deficit..... \$109 80

APPORTIONMENT FOR 1887.

New Orleans District .....\$320 00	Homer District \$135 00
Shreveport District..... 135 00	Opelousas District..... 115 00
Delhi District..... 115 00	Alexandria District..... 70 00

Total assessment for Bishops..... \$890 00

EDUCATION.

The amount assessed, and the apportionment is the same as for the Bishops.

Question 29. What has been contributed for missions? Rev. C. Keener, Treasurer of the Conference Board, presented the following report which was adopted, viz :

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BOARD OF MISSIONS.

C. KEENER, Treasurer, in account with the Louisiana Conference :

Dr.

To amount collected for Foreign Missions by churches.....\$3280 50
 To amount collected for Foreign Missions by Sunday Schools.. 390 70
 To amount collected for Foreign Missions Ladies Societies.... 321 40—\$3992 60
 One-half Missionary Anniversary..... 110 00

Total..... \$4102 60

Cr.

By amount paid to D. C. Kelly and Ladies Society, as per vouchers.....\$1910 65
 By amount handed D. C. Kelly, Treasurer..... 2191 95—\$4102 60

Dr.

To amount collected for Domestic Missions by churches.....\$1067 65
 To One-half Anniversary collection..... 137 40

Total.....\$1205 05

Cr.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1887.

New Orleans District	\$175	Alexandria District.....	\$250
Shreveport District.....	180	Delhi District.....	275
Homer District.....	150	Opelousas District.....	175—\$1205 00

APPORTIONMENT FOR 1887.

	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions.
New Orleans	\$2000	\$500
Shreveport	1000	360
Homer.....	1000	360
Delhi.....	900	315
Opelousas.....	800	315
Alexandria.....	300	150
Total.....	\$6000 00	\$2000 00

BOARD FOR 1887.

Rev. Joel T. Davis, Rev. J. B. A. Ahrens, Rev. C. Kenner, Rev. T. H. McClendon, Rev. B. Carradine, T. H. Dalton, H. Jamieson, C. J. Foster.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
TO THE LOUISIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

SHREVEPORT, January 5, 1887.

New Orleans District :

Dr.

To amount from Felicity Street Auxiliary.....	\$100 10
To amount from Baton Rouge Auxiliary.....	14 00—\$ 114 10

Shreveport District :

To amount from Shreveport Auxiliary.....	\$ 64 90
To amount from Mansfield Auxiliary.....	182 60
To amount from Keachie Auxiliary.....	33 15
To amount from Grand Cane Auxiliary.....	38 70
To amount from Friendship Auxiliary	33 75
To amount from Greenwood Auxiliary.....	32 05
To amount from Woodside Auxiliary	25 00
To amount from Haughton Auxiliary.....	7 80
To amount from Bellevue Auxiliary.....	14 40—\$ 432 35

Homer District :

To amount from Ruston Auxiliary.....	\$ 45 25
To amount from Lisbon Auxiliary.....	22 45
To amount from Minden Auxiliary	14 55
To amount from Arcadia Auxiliary.....	12 00
To amount from Alabama Auxiliary.....	5 00
To amount from Downs ville Auxiliary.....	27 50
To amount from Andrews Chapel Auxiliary.....	8 60
To amount from Vernon Auxiliary.....	1 00—\$136 35

Delhi District :

To amount from Delhi Auxiliary.....	\$24 45
To amount from Monroe Auxiliary.....	6 05
To amount from Trenton Auxiliary.....	1 50
To amount from Farmersville Auxiliary.....	2 45
To amount from Faulk's Chapel Auxiliary.....	9 25—\$43 70

Total receipts..... \$726 50

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. S. B. McCUTCHEN, *Treasurer.*

BOARD OF MISSIONS. :

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This Board shall be denominated the Louisiana Annual Conference Board of Missions, auxiliary to the Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

ART. 2. The Board shall consist of nine members, elected annually by the Conference, five of whom shall constitute a quorum for business. At their first meeting, the Board shall elect from their number a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The Board shall have power to fill vacancies, occurring by death, resignation, or otherwise.

ART. 3. The President, or in his absence the Vice-President, shall preside at all meetings of the Board.

ART. 4. The Secretary shall keep a full and complete record of all the proceedings of the Board, and prepare the annual report of the Board for the Louisiana Annual Conference, a copy of which report he shall forward to the Secretary of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and perform such other duties as the Board may direct.

ART. 5. The Treasurer shall take charge of all the funds and properties of the Board, subject to the order of the Board, and shall make a full report annually of the receipts and disbursement; and he shall transmit to the Treasurer of the General Board all moneys he may receive for general purposes.

ART. 6. The Board shall regulate its own affairs. It shall have absolute control of the Missions it may establish with the consent of the preachers of the Conference, within its own bounds, and of the funds raised for their support. It shall hold a public Anniversary Missionary meeting at each session of the Conference, the proceeds of which shall be equally divided between the Conference Board and General Board. It shall publish a full report every year in the Minutes of the Conference. It shall annually estimate the amount that may be necessary for the support of the missions of the Conference, and apportion the same to the presiding elders' districts for collection; and it shall divide the apportionment of the General Board among the several districts of the Conference.

ART. 7. An annual collection shall be taken up in every congregation, by the preachers in charge, in aid of the Conference Missions, and another in aid of Foreign Missions, the proceeds of which shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of the Board.

ART. 8. This Constitution may be altered and amended by a vote of a majority of the Conference at any of its annual sessions.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The following Constitution and By-Laws are printed for information, and recommended for use in the formation of auxiliary societies.

CONSTITUTION FOR AUXILIARIES.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the "Woman's Missionary Society of the _____, auxiliary to the Louisiana Conference Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South."

ART. 2. The object of this society shall be to aid in interesting Christian women in the evangelization of heathen women, and in raising funds for this work.

ART. 3. Any person paying a regular subscription of one dollar per year, or ten cents per month, may become a member of this society; and any person contributing five dollars per quarter for one year, or twenty dollars at one time, shall be constituted a life-member.

ART. 4. The officers of this society shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, who together shall constitute an Executive Committee to administer the affairs of the society.

ART. 5. Meetings of the society for business and communication of intelligence shall be held once a month. The anniversary of each auxiliary shall be the last regular meeting before that of the Conference Society. At this annual meeting the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be read, and the officers for the ensuing year elected.

ART. 6. This Constitution and the accompanying By-Laws may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the society, by a two-thirds vote of the members present, notice of such intention having been given at a previous meeting.

BY-LAWS.

1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all the meetings of the society, and to supervise its general interests.

2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform the duties of the President in the absence of that officer, and to aid in devising means for the efficiency of the Society.

3. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of the society, and to provide the pastor with notice of the meetings.

4. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society. It shall also be her duty to report quarterly, on or before the first of March, June, September and December, to the Conference Secretary, the number of members and work of the Society.

5. Order of exercises for monthly meetings: (1) Devotional exercises. (2) Reading and approving of Minutes. (3) Report of members of what they have done for the Society the past month. (4) Report of Treasurer in writing. (5) Report of Corresponding Secretary. (6) Unfinished business. (7) Adjournment.

6. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect the dues of members, and to hold in trust the funds of the Society, keeping a book account, and remitting to the Conference Treasurer on or before the first of March, June, September and December.

7. Once each quarter, if practicable, a public meeting shall be held, in which reports shall be read, addresses given, and every effort made to increase general missionary zeal and intelligence, as well as earnestness in special work of this society.

8. There shall be a standing committee of three to provide literary exercises of a missionary character for monthly and quarterly meetings.

9. If the work of the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer is too heavy for those officers, assistants must be elected.

10. If an office becomes vacant by death, resignation, or removal, it must be filled as soon as possible.

11. Each lady connected with this Society shall try to induce others to become members; and each shall do what she can to add to the general interests, remembering in prayer the Society, its workers, mission-schools, orphans and missionaries.

Where auxiliaries societies find that it is best to make the fee larger, it is entirely within their province to do so.

There will be an annual meeting of the General Executive Association at such time and place as may hereafter be determined.

Question 30. What has been contributed for Church Extension?

Rev. Wm. Hart, Treasurer of the Conference Board, made the following report, which was adopted:

RECEIPTS.

From New Orleans District.....	\$308 15	From Opelousas District.....	\$ 77 10
From Shreveport District.....	83 15	From Delhi District.....	45 85
From Alexandria District.....	10 20	From Homer District.....	192 85
From German, La. District.....	17 75	From Anniversary Collection...	65 00
Balance on hand at close Session 1886.....		88 05	
Balance of Centenary Fund.....		2 80	
Total.....		\$890 90	

DISBURSEMENTS.

Amount paid Parent Board for Collections ending January 12, 1887.....	\$400 05
Amount paid A. W. Palmer for Colquit Church, Homer District.....	100 00
Amount paid J. H. Madden for Antioch Church, Homer District.....	100 00
Amount paid Dr. R. Roberts for Shiloh Church, Homer District.....	50 00
Amount paid Rev. C. R. Godfrey for Haynesville Church, Homer Dist..	100 85
Amount paid T. C. Cargille for Farmerville, Homer District.....	100 00
Balance in hands Treasurer.....	40 85
Total.....	\$890 90

CENTENARY FUND.

Amount on hand at close of Session of 1886.....	\$177 80
Amount paid West Monroe Church, Delhi District.....	\$100 00
Amount paid to Delhi District Parsonage.....	75 00
Amount paid to Church Extension Fund.....	2 80
	\$177 80

CHURCH EXTENSION APPORTIONMENTS FOR 1887.

New Orleans District.....	\$593 75	Shreveport District.....	\$343 75
Delhi District	322 50	Alexandria District.....	212 50
Homer District.....	343 75	Opelousas District	283 75
Total.....	\$2100 00		

Question 31. What is the number and what is the estimated value of Church edifices? No. Churches, 224 $\frac{1}{4}$. Value, \$380,740.

For details see statistical tables.

Question 32. What is the number and what is the estimated value of parsonages. No. Parsonages 53. Value Parsonages, \$44,996 00.

For details see statistical tables.

Question 33. What are the educational statistics? Amount collected for educational purposes, \$450 75. (For details see statistical tables.) Centenary College—No. Pupils, 76; No. Professors, 7. Mansfield Female College—No. Pupils, 79; No. Professors, 8.

Question 34. Where shall the next Session of the Conference be held? Shreveport, La.

Question 35. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

APPOINTMENTS.

The Preachers whose names are in italics are elders. The figures opposite the names of preachers indicate the number of years they have been appointed to their present work.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT—*J. T. Sawyer, P. E.*

Carondelet street, <i>B. Carradine</i> 1.	Plaquemine and Donaldsonville, <i>Wm. Wimberly</i> 1
Felicity street, <i>S. H. Werlein</i> 3.	
St. Charles Avenue, <i>Chas. F. Evans</i> 1.	Carrollton Avenue and Parker Chapel,
Moreau street, <i>H. D. Kimball</i> 3.	Fitzgerald S. Parker, 2.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT—Continued.

Louisiana Avenue, <i>J. B. Walker</i> 1.	Dryades street and Craps street, <i>J. B. A. Ahrens. F. G. Hocutt</i> 1.
Algiers and Gretna, <i>Chas. E. McLean</i> 2.	Soraporu and Beutoville, <i>J. J. Blanz.</i>
Baton Rouge, <i>T. K. Faunt Le Roy</i> 3 ; <i>A. G. Miller</i> , Sup.	St. Tammany, to be supplied by <i>F. Mathias.</i>
Grosse Tete and False River, <i>Lewis A. Reed</i> 3.	Editor <i>N. O. Christian Advocate, C. W. Carter</i> 1.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT—*J. B. Cassity, P. E.* 1

Shreveport, <i>J. H. Scruggs</i> 1.	Natchitoches, <i>R. S. Isbell</i> 2.
Mooringsport, <i>Joshua Saunders</i> 2.	Coushatta, <i>R. A. Davis</i> 1.
Caddo, <i>R. J. Harp</i> 1.	East Point, <i>Geo. A. Mandeville</i> 1.
Mansfield, <i>J. M. Beard</i> 1.	Red River, <i>R. S. Trippett</i> 3.
Woodside and Ebenezer, <i>S. J. Davies</i> 1.	South Bossier, <i>R. M. Blocker</i> 3 ; <i>Henry S. Johns</i> 2.
Grand Cane, <i>Albt. T. Galloway</i> 1.	North Bossier, <i>E. B. Foust</i> 3.
Many and Sabine, <i>H. J. Boltz</i> 3 ; <i>S. S. Holliday</i> 2.	Mansfield Female College <i>F. M. Grace</i> 4, President ; <i>S. J. Davies</i> 1, Professor.
Anacoco and Bellwood, <i>Jno. M. Davies</i> 1.	
Pleasant Hill, <i>John M. Johnston</i> 2.	

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT—*B. F. Alexander, P. E.* 1.

Alexandria, <i>B. F. White</i> 1.	Melville, <i>Jeptha Landrum</i> 1.
Ada, <i>J. Ivy Hoffpauir</i> 1.	Spring Creek, to be supplied by <i>Silas H. Cooper.</i>
Centreville, to be supplied by <i>J. J. Masters.</i>	Sugar Town, to be supplied by <i>J. M. Monroe.</i>
Columbia, <i>N. S. Cornell</i> 2.	Trinity, <i>Wilson Moore</i> 1.
Winnfield and Montgomery, <i>Jno. F. Wynn</i> , 1 ; <i>A. M. Wailes</i> , Sup'ry.	Bayou Boeuf, <i>F. White</i> 2.
Evergreen, <i>S. H. Whatley</i> 3.	Hickory Flat, to be supplied.

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT—*S. S. Keener, P. E.*

Opelousas, <i>J. D. Jackson</i> 2.	Lake Charles, <i>Joel T. Daves</i> 1.
Washington, <i>J. P. Porter</i> 3.	Morgan City and Pattersonville, <i>Franklin N. Parker</i> 2.
Rayne and Plaquemine, <i>Henry O. White</i> 1.	Sulphur Mine and Grand Cheniere, <i>Robt. P. Howell</i> 1.
Lafayette and Indian Bayou, <i>M. C. Manley</i> 1.	Lake Charles German Mission. <i>C. Kundson.</i>
Abbeville, <i>R. Harry</i> 1.	North West Calcasieu, to be supplied by <i>J. C. Carnline.</i>
Lafourche, to be supplied.	
New Iberia, <i>J. W. Medlock</i> 1.	
Franklin. <i>A. E. Clay</i> 1.	

DELHI DISTRICT—*J. D. Harper, P. E.* 1.

Monroe and Delhi, <i>Wm. Hart</i> 1.	Oak Ridge, <i>Thos. Randle</i> 1.
West Monroe, <i>T. H. McClendon</i> 1.	Richland, <i>J. F. Patterson</i> 1.
Bastrop, <i>J. J. Billingsley</i> 1.	Winnsboro, <i>F. D. Van Valkenberg</i> 1.
Lind Grove, <i>J. M. Brown</i> 1.	Harrisonburg, <i>W. P. Kimball</i> 1.
Floyd, <i>C. T. Munholland</i> 1.	Waterproof and Tensas, <i>R. S. Collier</i> 1.
Lake Providence, <i>T. J. Upton</i> 2.	Madison, to be supplied.

HOMER DISTRICT—*Robt. Randle, P. E. 1.*

Homer, <i>T. B. White 1.</i>	Summerfield, <i>D. C. Barr 1.</i>
Haynesville, <i>C. R. Godfrey 2.</i>	Ruston, <i>J. A. Parker 1.</i>
Minden, <i>C. Keener 1.</i>	Douglas, to be supplied by Jno L. Williams,
Brushwood, <i>R. Parvin 1.</i>	Vernon, <i>J. L. Wright 3.</i>
Ringold, <i>Harry Wm. May 1.</i>	Indian Village, <i>A. A. Cornett 1.</i>
Sparta and Saline, to be supplied by P. Burckett.	Downsville, <i>E. B. Galloway 1.</i>
Arcadia, <i>Jno. A. Miller 2.</i>	Farmersville, <i>Wm. H. Hill 1.</i>
Tulip, <i>J. L. P. Sheppard 2.</i>	

TRANSFERRED.

A. C. Couey, to Montana Conference.	at Bellville.
J. F. Scurlock, to North Georgia Conference.	P. H. Hensch, to German Mission Conference of Texas, and stationed at Newfountaine.
H. W. Weiss, to German Mission Conference of Texas, and stationed	

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

For admission: J. M. Beard, S. H. Werlein, T. S. Randle.
First year: Jno. A. Miller, J. L. P. Sheppard, T. J. Upton.
Second year: B. Carradine, N. S. Cornell, R. S. Isbell.
Third year: T. K. Faunt Le Roy, J. W. Medlock, T. B. White.
Fourth year: J. B. A. Ahrens, J. J. Billingsley, Wm. Hart.

UNDERGRADUATES.

First year: Robert P. Howell, S. S. Holliday, Wm. H. Hill, Harry W. May
Second year: F. N. Parker, Geo. A. Mandeville, C. E. McLean, Fitzg. S. Parker, J. Ivy Hoftpauir, J. S. Saunders, Henry S. Johns, Robert Harry, Jeff. D. Jackson
Third year: Wilson Moore, Danl. C. Barr, A. T. Galloway, H. W. Weise, S. J. Davies, Horace Kimball, H. J. Boltz, S. J. Davies.
Fourth year: Jno. M. Davies, J. White Davis, C. Kundsén, E. B. Galloway, P. H. Hensch.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

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BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR 1887.

Rev. J. T. Daves, Rev. J. B. A. Ahrens, Rev. C. Keener, Rev. T. H. McClendon, Rev. B. Carradine, Rev. Jno. A. Miller, C. J. Foster, T. H. Dalton and Hugh Jamieson.

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Rev. S. H. Werlein, Rev. H. O. White, Rev. R. J. Harp, Rev. C. T. Munholland, Rev. J. F. Wynn, Rev. R. Parvin, B. O. L. Rayne, S. B. McCutchen, U. T. Blackshear, Dr. A. S. Helmick, R. B. Howell, J. B. Pickles.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Rev. B. Carradine, Chairman Committee on Church Publications.
 Rev. S. H. Werlein, Chairman Committee on Temperance.
 Rev. R. S. Trippett, Chairman Committee on Bible Cause.

VISITING COMMITTEES.

Centenary College; S. H. Werlein, T. K. Faunt Le Roy.
Mansfield Female College: R. S. Isbell, R. S. Trippett.

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS.

Rev. C. W. Carter, Chairman, Rev. R. A. Davis, Rev. J. M. Johnston, Rev. J. J. Billingsley, Rev. T. S. Randle, Rev. A. E. Clay, Rev. H. O. White.

COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Rev. Jno. A. Miller, Chairman, Rev. T. B. White, Rev. J. A. Parker.

COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

Rev. N. S. Cornell, Chairman, Rev. Jno. F. Wynn, Rev. B. F. White, Rev. S. H. Werlein.

COMMITTEE ON CHURCH PUBLICATIONS

Rev. B. Carradine, Chairman, Rev. J. W. Medlock, Rev. J. M. Beard, Hugh Jamieson.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Rev. S. H. Werlein, chairman of Committee on Temperance. Rev. R. S. Trippett, chairman of Committee on Bible Cause.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORSHIP.

Rev. J. T. Sawyer, Rev. T. B. White and T. C. Standifer.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

MISSIONS.

Resolved, That we wtll take up our collections for Foreign Missions before the 1st of May.

Resolved, That we will raise from our Sunday Schools a fund equal to ten cents for each scholar in our schools, exclusive of our assessments.

CENTENARY COLLEGE.

Resolved, That for purpose of statistical accuracy, the Board of Trustees of Centenary College be and are hereby requested to ascertain the amount of interest held in Centenary College by each of the patronizing Conferences respectively, and to report the same to this Conference, at its next session.

TEMPERANCE.

Resolved, That scientific instruction on the question of Temperance is the need of the day, and to this end we approve any movement looking to the petitioning the Legislature, at its next session, to provide for such instruction in the public schools of this State.

FAMILY PRAYER.

WHEREAS, With some exceptions, the reports of the Pastors, as brought out by the examinations of the Bishops, indicate that there is a deplorable and alarming neglect of Family Prayer, among our people, therefore be it

Resolved, That we will, by preaching and pastoral labors, endeavor to arouse our people to the duty of a more general observance of this precious and important means of grace.

THANKS.

Resolved, That we do most heartily and sincerely return our thanks to the good people of Ruston for the most generous hospitality extended to us during the Conference Session.

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to the several Railroad Corporations that have granted us an abatement of fare on their several roads, in coming to and going from the seat of the present Conference.

Resolved, That this Conference extend their sincere thanks to the Secular Press for the representation it has received through their columns during our Session.

ANNUAL MEETING.

Resolved, That we earnestly request the College of Bishops to fix the time of holding the Louisiana Conference, between the first and fifteenth of December in each year.

SALARIES OF PRESIDING ELDERS.

Resolved, That we recommend the various Boards of District Stewards in this Conference, to fix the salaries of their Presiding Elders at a certain per cent., say 15%, of the preachers in charge of the various pastoral charges.

CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

WHEREAS, it is every way desirable that our *N. O. Christian Advocate* should be a first class religious newspaper, and that our Editor Dr. C. W. Carter, in whose fidelity and ability we have full confidence, should be at liberty to give his entire time to extend the circulation, and make the paper a power among us to stimulate our people to every good work;

AND WHEREAS, the Publisher of the *N. O. Christian Advocate* is for the present able to guarantee but \$1200 per year, it is necessary by some other means to increase the income of the Editor;

AND WHEREAS, the Conference Depository building, known as 112, Camp street, New Orleans, was bought to be devoted to publication and missionary interest, and its lower story is now rented for \$60 per month, and the disposition of this rent is under the control of the Louisiana Annual Conference; therefore

Resolved, That Dr. C. W. Carter, Editor of the *N. O. Christian Advocate* be authorized to draw against this rent \$40 per month, if necessary, until the increased circulation and income shall render further assistance unnecessary, the remainder of the rent being for insurance and repairs.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

An Act to Incorporate the Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

SECTION I. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, in General Assembly convened, That John C. Keene, H. N. McTyre, J. Saunders, R. Randle, J. B. Walker, S. J. Davie, L. Parker,

Philo M. Goodwyn, and L. A. Reed, and their associates and successors, such as the Louisiana Conference may from time to time see proper to appoint, be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the "Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South," and by which name the said corporation shall have succession, and be capable of suing and being sued, entering into contracts, and receiving and holding property for educational purposes, and such charitable purposes as may, from time to time, be specified by the said Conference at its annual session, either by donation or purchase.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That the domicile of said corporation shall be located in the City of New Orleans, and the affairs thereof shall be managed by nine trustees, to be appointed by the Louisiana Annual Conference, one of whom shall be elected President. The President and four trustees shall form a quorum, and shall have power to appoint all other officers necessary for conducting its affairs, and make and adopt such rules, by-laws and regulations, as they may deem proper for the management of said corporation; provided that the same be in conformity with the laws and regulations, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and not repugnant to the laws of the State.

JOHN M. SANDIGE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

ROBERT C. WICKLIFFE,

President of the Senate.

P. O. HEBERT,

Governor of the State of Louisiana,

Approved March 15, 1855.

A true copy :

ANDREW S. HERRON.

LEGAL CONFERENCE.

Revs. Charles W. Carter, T. K. Fount Le Roy, C. Keener, John T. Sawyer, R. S. Trippett, John Pipes, B. F. Alexander, T. J. Williams, and W. H. Foster.

Resolved, That the Conference Board of Trustees be instructed to hold a meeting at every session of the Conference, and to make a report in due form to the Conference of their proceedings, and all matters in their charge.

Resolved, That the Act of Incorporation be published annually in the printed Minutes.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The following is the rule respecting the organization of District Conferences :

The District Conference shall be composed, first, of all the preachers, traveling and local, in the district; and second, of one lay delegate from every forty members, or fractional part thereof, within the bounds of each circuit, station, and mission in the district. The lay members shall be elected by the several Quarterly Conferences, and no Quarterly Conference shall be denied two lay delegates.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMITTEES.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

Alexandria District.—This Record is in a fairly good form, but bears the marks of hasty transcription in its penmanship, and the omission of letters in some words, the body of report written across the index-column, and the omission of the number of the pages.

Shreveport District.—This Record is in fair writing, and we notice but two defects: on page 106, 16th line from top, the wrong word is used, and the index-column is very imperfectly filled out.

Homer District.—This Record deserves especial mention for its neatness and method. The chirography is clear and marginal index good. Reports well condensed, and the special objects of the Conference properly emphasized. We notice but one defect: the minutes of the last session are not approved.

The Record of the Opelousas District were not before your Committee.

New Orleans District.—This Record is a model of neatness, perfect in structure, written in a clear hand, and defective in but one particular, viz: the minutes of the last session are not approved.

Delhi District.—The Record presents a good appearance, and we notice two defects: the evening session of the fourth day failed to approve the minutes of the previous session. The index column is not properly filled out.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. WYNN,	} Committee.
B. F. WHITE,	
N. S. CORNELL,	
S. H. WERLEIN,	

REPORT CHURCH EXTENSION.

This Board of Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was created by the General Conference, held in Nashville in May, 1882, and assumed its organic form in Louisville, Ky., June 24th, 1882.

Under its organic act, forty auxiliary Boards—one for each Annual Conference—have been since organized.

The Louisiana Conference Board of Church Extension was organized at the session of the Louisiana Annual Conference, held in Mansfield, La., January 10th, 1883.

The object of this Board, as its name implies, is the expansion or enlargement of the Church from places where it is to places where it is not. We desire to emphasize the fact that the object of this Board is not to do for others what they can and ought to do for themselves. All its power, and much more, might be expended in this way, without any Church extension; but to help to build churches which could not otherwise be built without such help.

It is the obedience of God's co-workers to the Divine Command, "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations. Spare not; lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes, for thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left, and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles make the desolate cities to be inhabited."

Its heaven-born motto is, "We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak."

The wisdom of this great enterprise proves itself by the fact that during the quadrennium the Conference Boards have helped 459 churches in 38 Conferences, to which were given \$51,671 38. The General and Conference Boards together have helped by donations 540 churches, to which were given \$86,365 63.

The Louisiana Conference Board has helped 13 churches during the past quadrennium, to the amount of \$1,500, and the General Board has lately donated to Rayne Church, La. the sum of \$500; and yet we are falling far below the necessities and opportunities that God opens before us.

The Treasurer's Report shows that but little advancement has been made in collections for Church Extension during the past year. We earnestly urge upon our pastors the necessity of preaching and circulating tracts on this important Church enterprise. We are fully persuaded that when this matter is brought more prominently before the people, that our receipts will not be so meagre, and we shall no longer have to give a deaf ear to applications for help, where it is frequently so sorely needed.

The Board has received six applications for help since last session of Conference. These applications have been thoroughly examined, and the appropriations have been made as follows :

Colquit, Homer District.....	\$100 00
Antioch, Homer District.....	100 00
Haynesville, Homer District.....	100 00
Shiloh, Homer District.....	50 00
Farmerville.....	100 00
Lake Providence, Delhi, District.....	200 00

The General Board of Church Extension is also charged with the duty of raising and administering a Loan Fund, to be used only in loans to Churches, on adequate security, to be returned and afterward re-loaned to other Churches, thus perpetuating indefinitely its work. Loan funds have been founded in many of the Conferences, and appeals have been sent to this Board ; but up to this time, no fund has been established by the Louisiana Conference.

Certain papers pertaining to the Woman's Department of Church Extension have been received by the Board from Lucinda B. Helm, the General Secretary.

The object of this Board is briefly stated in the following report presented to the last General Conference :

In view of the great lack of parsonages in the weaker charges and throughout the Church, and of their importance to our itinerant economy ; and whereas there is no organized agency to supply this demand, which appeals so directly and so strongly to the Christian endeavor of woman, whose special realm is the home, the Board of Church Extension believe it is expedient that the General Conference provide for the organization of a " Woman's Department of Church Extension," having specific reference to the supply of parsonages for itinerant preachers, and ask your body so to do.

In response to this memorial, the General Conference amended the Constitution of the Board as follows :

ART. XI. The Board of Church Extension shall organize a department to be known as " The Woman's Department of Church Extension," the object of which shall be to collect funds by private efforts, personal solicitations, membership fees, donations, devises and bequests, for purchasing and securing parsonages. All funds so collected shall be subject to the direction of the General and Local Boards of Church Extension for the object specified.

ART. XII. The officers of the Woman's Department shall be a General Secretary to be appointed by the General Board ; a Secretary and Treasurer for each Annual Conference ; and a District Secretary for each presiding elder's district, to be appointed by the respective Conference Boards.

ART. XIII. The General Secretary for the Woman's Department shall conduct the correspondence of that part of the work, and furnish reports thereof to the Secretary of the General Board.

The Secretary of this department for each Annual Conference shall organize Parsonage Societies in the various charges, and shall make reports of the work done in the Conference, both to the General Secretary of this department and to the Secretary of the Conference Board.

The Treasurer of this Department for each Annual Conference shall receive the funds of the Parsonage Societies within the Conference, of which fifty per cent. shall be turned over to the General Board. and the remaining fifty per cent. to the Conference Board.

The District Secretaries shall aid the Conference Secretary of this department in organizing Parsonage Societies, and shall keep her informed of the work and needs within their respective districts.

Donors to the funds of this department may give direction to their special contributions.

Your Board are gratified to learn that this much-needed and important department of Church Work, although but five months old, is well under headway,

and your Board have elected the following ladies to fill the Conference offices, as ordered by the constitution.

Mrs. ELLEN K. PARKER, *Conference Secretary*. 871 Carondelet St., N. O.
Mrs. SALLIE ASHLEY, *Treasurer*. Ruston, La.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES.

New Orleans District—Mrs. D. B. Wood, Corner Pitt and Gen. Taylor streets, New Orleans.

Homer District—Mrs. Bettie E. E. Glover, Arcadia, La.

Opelousas District—Mrs. Henrietta Pharr, Morgan City, La.

Alexandria District—Mrs. S. E. Garner, Alexandria, La.

Delhi District—Mrs. Jno. E. Hanna, Monroe, La.

Shreveport District—Mrs. Mattie Morrison, Shreveport, La.

WM. HART, *Secretary*.

CONSTITUTION OF BOARD CHURCH EXTENSION.

ARTICLE I.—*Name.*

This organization shall be known as the Board of Church Extension of the Louisiana Annual Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

ARTICLE II.—*Officers and their Duties.*

The officers of this Board shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and eight managers, to be elected by the Louisiana Annual Conference, on nomination of the presiding elders, at its session next succeeding each session of the General Conference. The President, Secretary and Treasurer shall constitute an Executive Committee; the duties of the officers and of the Executive Committee shall be the same as usually pertain to such officers and committees in similar bodies.

ARTICLE III.—*Object.*

The object of this Board is to assist as an auxiliary to the Parent Board, and to take charge of all the interests and work of Church Extension, in the Louisiana Annual Conference, according to the provisions of the Discipline.

ARTICLE IV.—*Funds.*

The funds of this Board shall be derived from contributions from the Parent Board, from collections taken by each preacher in every congregation, donations and bequests.

ARTICLE V.—*Meetings.*

This Board shall hold a meeting at each session of the Annual Conference, at which regular meeting provision shall be made for anniversary exercises. Special meetings may be held on call of the Executive Committee. Five members of the Board shall be a quorum at any meeting. Vacancies in the interim of Conference shall be filled by the Board.

ARTICLE VI.—*Aid.*

All applications for aid shall set forth:

1. A description of the building for which aid is asked.
2. The estimated and probable cost when completed.
3. The amount of cash and reliable subscriptions now on hand.
4. The nature of the title, its validity, and whether held in trust for the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.
5. The names of the Board of Trustees.
6. The number of Church-members, Sunday-school children, and population of the place, whether within a city or town.
7. Any additional facts that may be required by the Board, or that may be deemed necessary or useful to the Board in making a decision.

In no case shall the Treasurer pay money to aid any church building until ordered to do so by the Executive Committee, and in no case shall the Executive Committee make an order for such payment until furnished with a written certificate from the Recorders of Deeds for the parish in which the building is being erected, showing that the warranty deed, conveying the site of the church edifice, in fee simple, to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is on record; and also a written certificate from the trustees of such church-building, assuring the committee that the payment asked for from this Board will speedily open the house for use, free of debt.

ARTICLE VII.—*Assessments.*

The Board at its regular meeting shall apportion among the presiding elders' district the amounts assessed upon the Conference by the Parent Board, and the district stewards are instructed to apportion the assessments upon the districts among the several charges of the same.

MEMOIRS.

JAMES E. BRADLEY.

Our dear brother James E. Bradley has fallen from the walls of Zion during the year, and we are left to mourn a comrade's absence. And yet, if to be "absent from the body is to be present with the Lord," we should rather rejoice, inasmuch as he has "finished his course with joy," and "entered into the joy of his Lord."

Bro. Bradley was an able and faithful preacher and pastor, fulfilling his high commission with unswerving fidelity. His preaching was peculiar and forcible—presenting the doctrine of Christ in a clear and cogent style. His reading was extensive, and hence his pulpit efforts glowed with apostolic fervor and zeal, and often was made piquant by historical incidents flashing here and there, illustrating the cardinal doctrines of our "great salvation."

As a pastor, he was diligent and industrious—"giving to each his portion in due season."

I was his presiding Elder in Oregon, and can testify to his unflagging zeal, punctuality and trueness in that distant and difficult field. Deep and honest in his convictions, he had nerve to follow them. He retreated from that field under the most trying circumstances. Perils and poverty that try men's souls were his, yet true to his conception of right, after a protracted journey, made at intervals, and with a large family, he finally returned to the bosom of his old Conference and friends, who gave him a hearty welcome, and where, after a few years of itinerant toil, he closed his earthly career at his post of duty, at Lake Charles, where his body rests, and where his family reside.

His devotion and love for his family—their comfort and well-being—together with his love for souls—consumed him.

He was an admirable character, tender, confiding, faithful.

He was born in Kentucky about 56 years ago, lived in Louisville, was a printer by trade in his youthful days. Was soundly converted, and came to us as a transfer from the Louisville Conference about twenty-five years ago

"Thus star by star declines
Till all are passed away"

to raise full-orbed, and with resplendent light, never to set.

His last words were: "I must leave you; tell my brethren of the Conference that all is bright. I fall in, full armor, and at my post."

Bro. Bradley farewell! we will meet in the Conference above to recount the labors of our feet!

My brethren beloved: "To finish our course with joy, and testify the gospel of the grace of God" is our chief employ.

"O may I triumph so
When all my warfare's pass'd;
And dying, find my latest foe
Under my feet at last."

T. B. WHITE, *For the Committee.*

CHARLES W. HODGE.

Charles W. Hodge was born in Jasper County, Ga. March 9th, 1815. His father—J. E. Hodge—was son of the Rev. James Hodge, of the Methodist Episcopal Church; and his mother was the daughter of Jeremiah Lumsden, who joined the South Carolina Conference in 1804; and he, the son of Elijah Lumsden, who was admitted into the same Conference in 1785.

The parents of Brother Hodge were pious and thoroughly Methodistic. He received his education in his native State.

In 1836 he volunteered as a soldier in the Creek and Seminole war. In December, 1856, he moved to Alabama; and in 1843, at a camp meeting held in Green County, Ala., he was most happily converted, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. He married Miss Aseneth M. George, of Perry Co., Ala. in 1844, and in December, 1844, came to Union parish, La. He was licensed to preach in October, 1853, and admitted on trial into the Louisiana Conference in December, 1854; was appointed to Castor Circuit in 1855 and 1856; to Harrisburg Circuit in 1857, to Vernon Circuit in 1858 and 1859, to Farmersville Circuit in 1860. In 1861 he was returned to Vernon Circuit, during which year he came out with the first company of Volunteers in the Confederate Service from that parish and joined the Twelfth Louisiana Regiment, which was ordered to Columbus, Ky. Resigning from this command, he came home and organized another company, with which he joined the Thirty-first Louisiana Regiment. After the war, he was elected to the State Legislature where he served in 1863 and 1864. In 1866 he served the Dugdemona Circuit, and located in 1867. He was re-admitted in 1875, though every year of his location, he traveled under the presiding Elder. In 1875 and 1876 he traveled the Indian Village Circuit, in 1877 the Farmersville Circuit, in 1878 the Arcadia Circuit, in 1879 the Centerville Circuit, in 1880 and 1881 the Colony and Faulk's Chapel, in 1882 the Rayville Circuit, in 1883 the Rochester Mission, and in 1884 the Indian Village Circuit, in 1885 the Brushwood Circuit; and at the Conference held in Baton Rouge in January, 1886, he was re-appointed to Brushwood Circuit. This was his last appointment by the Conference; he was taken violently sick during its session, and lingered but a few days after the close of the Conference, when he was taken from the Church Militant to the Church triumphant. If he had lived til March, he would have been seventy-one years old.

Bro. Hodge was a faithful sound preacher, clear in his comprehensive, annunciation of Gospel truth. He was greatly beloved by the people whom he served. He was a true Itinerant, devoted to his Church, and pronounced against sin in all its forms. He was truly spiritual and a lovable companion.

JNO A. MILLER,
Chairman of Committee.

REPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION.

CENTENARY COLLEGE.

In the discharge of their duties, the Board of Education have given proper consideration to the report of Rev. T. A. S. Adams, A. M., D. D., president of Centenary College at Jackson, La. While the condition of the college is far inferior to what it should be (in the number of students enrolled), it seems to be slowly, but steadily advancing towards that point of prominent importance which its faculty and its patronizing Conferences demand. Centenary College has made a record, and its officers have shown a heroism of which the Louisiana and Mississippi Conference should be proud.

Year after year this Board and this Conference have pleaded for Centenary, while in session, and results show, that although our pleadings have availed somewhat, we have not met with that measure of success which our cause merits. Is it because we talk more of our only college for boys while in our respective sessions, and less when among our people from whom the patronage must come; or is it not rather to be attributed to the fact that we neither converse nor preach among our people on the important subject of Christian education, especially in connec-

tion with our own schools? Why should one imagine other institutions of learning better places to educate our young men than Centenary? While there are or may be first-class institutions, they offer no better opportunities for a college course of instruction than Centenary; nor do they throw around the young men in their halls stronger moral influences than we are assured are thrown around the young men at Centenary. Without assuming to answer, we put the question to the preachers and to our people generally: "Are you not sending those under your spiritual, parental or civil guardianship to institutions where the moral faculties are contracted as rapidly as the mental faculties are expanded?" Free tuition is incalculably expensive when the result is a vitiated moral character. The parsimoniousness which would barter moral culture for \$50 a year in tuition is desperate meanness, and should be reprobated. If this sort of things should suit others, it is unfit for Methodists, and our preachers ought to make it an object of depreciation.

We find the faculty of Centenary composed of the president and six professors—a corps of teachers fully competent to meet the demands of a greatly increased number of students. In view of the fact that Centenary is giving tuition free to all students for the ministry, whether such be the sons of preachers or not, we offer the following:

Resolved, that the proceeds of the collection for educational purposes reported to this session of the conference, and not otherwise applied, be turned over to the treasurer of Centenary College.

The Board of Education have learned with some degree of surprise, that no insurance has been secured on the valuable property represented in the buildings of Centenary College. The great value of those buildings, and the inability of the church to replace them if destroyed, most imperatively demand the security afforded by a policy covering, at least, some portion of the value of the property. We, therefore, offer the following resolution on this subject, viz:

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of Centenary College be requested to provide, if possible, for the insurance of at least twenty-five thousand dollars on the college building at Jackson, La.

MANSFIELD FEMALE COLLEGE.

The Board of Education have had under consideration the report of Rev. R. J. Harp, president of the Board of Managers of Mansfield Female College, which conveys to them the cheering information of the progress of that institution of learning, so useful and so beneficial to our church. From this report, compared with other reports from the same source, it appears that the patronage during the present scholastic year is in advance of either the three preceeding years. This evidence of prosperity we readily attribute to the recent and judicious reorganization of the faculty, by which most competent teachers, thoroughly enlisted in the good work before them, have been placed at the heads of the different departments of instruction. It is a source of great gratification to the Board of Education to be able to present to the Conference these renewed evidences of the competency and devotion of President Grace. Still, while this material improvement is shown in the report of the Board of Managers of Mansfield Female College, we deem it advisable to call the attention of the friends of Christian education to the fact that many of our people are still patronizing institutions of learning either irreligious in their discipline or at variance with the greatest economic interests of our church.

PIERCE & PAINE COLLEGE.

Resolved, That a committee of three, viz: The Presiding Elder of Shreveport District, the preacher in charge at Mansfield and W. D. Gooch be and are hereby appointed to negotiate for the sale of the Pierce & Paine College property, provided they should deem it best to do so, and provided further that no more property shall be sold than the building and the twenty acres of ground on which it stands.

We would not be understood as opposed to mental culture under any circumstances, and yet we do emphasize the importance of expanding—or drawing out—

the minds of the youth of our church, in both sexes, on a line parallel to our doctrines and usages. The religious latitudinarianism which exercises no preference for the circumstances of mental culture is generally unwise, and often criminal. One of the secrets of the power of Methodism—if not indeed the main one—is to be found in its devotion to Christian education. Born in a college, it has been running to and fro throughout the world, building up such institutions on a purely Christian basis. It is not altogether in vain that the Methodist Church claims to have projected the first female college of any note on this continent. Nor can other expectation be entertained but that she will steadily traverse her accustomed walks. Both science and observation teach us that the mental and moral characteristics follow the posterity more generally from the maternal than from the paternal side. Our schools with our firesides, constitute our propaganda (*societas de propaganda fide*), and great will be the results when our people learn this fact. If the faith of our fathers must be preserved and sent down to the generations to follow, our people must be educated in that faith. Entertaining these views, the Board of Education offer for the consideration of the Conference the following:

Resolved, That the attention of the preachers be called to answer 16, paragraph 65, on page 83 of our book of discipline, viz; "To preach upon the subject of Christian education, and to urge upon parents the importance of educating their children, advising them to patronize as far as practicable, those institutions of learning under the care of our church."

J. A. PARKER, Pres.
R. S. ISBELL, Sec'y

COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee have to report as follows:

Demanding the earnest consideration of every patriot and Christian, and more discussed than any other, is the all-important, vital question of temperance and prohibition. Wonderful has been the advance of the temperance cause during the last decade; but the wonder is greater that intelligent and Christian men and women should have been so slow in determining to destroy the liquor traffic that has been slaying its multitudes for lo! these hundreds of years. Now, that the good of this and other lands are at last aroused, it is found that this foe, protected by law has grown to be a very giant, full of fight and hard to kill. The question has passed beyond the handling of the mere theorizer and the professional essayist, and is being sifted to the core by the eminently practical—by the calculating man of figures, the political economist, the busy man of affairs and the wise statesman; ay, in Church as in State, the wide-awake and live men of brains and heart are engaged on the problem of how best and quickest to destroy this bitter, relentless foe of God and man, that would rob heaven of blood-bought souls and fill an awful hell with its victims.

England's Gladstone is on record thus: "We suffer more, year by year and every year, by intemperance than from war, pestilence and famine combined—those three great scourges of the human family." There can be no doubt that he is correct. It is estimated that the great wars of the world for the twenty-five years from 1852 to 1877, in which are included the Franco-German War and the American Civil War, cost a fraction over \$12,000,000,000. The cost of intoxicants in the United States for the same length of time was more than \$15,000,000,000—or \$3,000,000,000 more than all the great wars of the world. During a period in which in the United States 600,000 persons were killed in war, statistics show that 7,500,000 were killed by liquor; thus, for every thousand killed in battle liquor killed twelve and one-half thousand. It is conceded by all that in this country a vast army of men and women annually drop into the grave of the drunkard. Nine hundred millions of dollars per annum is the nation's liquor bill. While the people pay this enormous sum for the liquid fire, their meat and bread bill is not as much by

one hundred millions of dollars. The liquor bill is ten times as much as is paid for the public schools, and seventy-five times as much as goes as salary into the hands of that most useful class of workers, the ministers. More astounding still is the fact that this foremost of Christian nations, and hence supposed to be active in the saving of the world of mankind, gives actually 164 times as much for liquor as both foreign and home missions.

We will add to the direct cost of liquor (\$900,000,000) the following estimated indirect cost and loss from drink, as made by Dr. Hargreaves, based on the census of 1880, and published by the National Temperance Society:

1. Loss of productive labor of 586,742 persons in the liquor trade.....	\$283,236,000
2. Loss of productive labor of 700,000 drunkards.....	175,000,000
3. Loss of productive labor of 2,138,391 moderate drinkers....	222,392,664
4. Loss of 66,660.792 bushels of grain destroyed in breweries and distilleries.....	33,330 396
5. Loss of time and cost of medical attendance and medicine in sickness caused by drink.....	119,368,576
6. Loss to employers by time lost by drinking workmen.....	10,000,000
7. Cost of supporting 83,899 defective persons by drink, as insane, etc.....	16,779,800
8. Cost of supporting 59,110 paupers made such by drink, at \$100 a year.....	5,911,000
9. Loss of labor of 59,110 paupers and vagrants, at \$300 per annum	17 733,000
10. Cost of supporting 39,481 prisoners, at \$100 a year	3,948,100
11. Loss of labor of 39,461 prisoners at \$300 a year.....	11,844,300
12. Cost of police, prosecutions, court expenses, jurors, witnesses, etc.....	15 000,000
Total.....	\$914,543,836

Of the \$900,000,000 direct national cost of liquor, a writer in the *New Orleans Christian Advocate*, says:

This is a sum of money too big to think about without becoming dizzy. If expended in bread, it would be enough to supply 22,500,000 people for a whole year! If expended in tuition, according to the usual rates, it would pay for the schooling of 30,000,000 children for a term of ten months! If a man were to count 100 per minute for twelve hours a day, it would require thirty-four years and three months for him to count the dollars spent in maintaining liquor in our country for one year!

Add together the direct and the indirect cost of liquor, and we have the monstrous iniquity summed up in dollars to the tune of \$1,814,543,836. Add to this enormous sum that which figures can not estimate—the moral and social ruin in it all, the sin, misery and crime growing out of it and the damnation in hell forever of the bodies and souls of the dealers in it and their victims, and we stand aghast at the colossal proportions of the whisky devil as he lives and revels in our own fair land. Of other lands a similar awful recital may be made in connection with their liquor traffic. Oh, is it not “the sum of all villainies,” and should not the millions of Christians in this country, presenting a solid prohibition front, wage against it uncomprising war? The liquor traffic is the relentless enemy of the physical, mental and moral man; the cruel destroyer of the peace and happiness of home, embruting and blighting all it touches there; and, seeking to ensnare and drag to dishonor, shame and ruin all that is pure and true and holy, it is the avowed and deadly foe of the church of God. All kinds of crime find in it a natural ally and their most persuasive instigator and powerful abettor. In the truthful language used and adopted at a sister Conference:

“It fills our poor-houses and asylums, increases our taxes while it empties our public treasuries. It ensnares our boys and corrupts our young men.

It causes wife-beatings, causes children to perish with hunger and cruel treatment. It hinders education, perpetuates ignorance, antagonizes Christianity; it fosters obscenity, debauchery, profanity and blasphemy. It causes dishonesty, robberies, embezzlements, burglaries, arson, assaults, murders, and suicides. It blights and blasts every honest business, but furnishes abundant work for the sheriff, the jailor, the hangman and the grave-digger. It ruins men and damns souls. It bribes or intimidates juries, perjures witnesses, corrupts constables, sheriffs and magistrates, and perverts justice. It buys votes, corrupts the ballot-box, enables worthless, base men to get into office and debauches Legislatures. It enslaves political parties, compels them to support its interests, and to execute its villainous schemes. It endeavors to silence the press, and it would gag the public if it could. It sets all law at defiance, promotes insurrection, riot and anarchy. The saloons are the hot beds of hell where the schemes of the anarchists are hatched and matured. It unhesitatingly resorts to slander, libel, perjury, house-burning, the bludgeon, the knife and the pistol to effect its purposes. It has no redeeming feature. It is criminal in the sight of God, infamous among men, and has no right to existence outside of the bottomless pit of hell."

In the face of all that is thus chargeable to the liquor traffic, can it be that the church of God is at liberty to remain uninterested or even lukewarm? Is she not forced into persistent war by reason of the ceaseless activity of this mighty enemy, interfering, as it does, with her operations and rendering nugatory much of her effort for the saving of souls? The ten millions of church members in this Union should be in the line of battle, and we thank God and take courage as we feel the tramp of God's coming hosts and hear the shouts of victory ringing out from all the States where the issue has been made. Our own beloved Louisiana, pinioned as she is, and thought by some beyond redemption, catching the healthful spirit of the age, moves her limbs and feels for the light, and seeks, like her sisters, freedom from the liquor curse. There is now on her statute book a Sunday law, closing the saloons throughout her bounds upon the Sabbath, and in about thirteen of her parishes prohibition has won the day by large majorities and prevails in whole or in part. The Southren gives the following description of the happy state of things in one parish, Sabine:

"Our parish scrip is worth 100 cents on the dollar, and the taxes this year have been reduced two mills on the dollar. There has been scarcely a law suit instituted in our courts this year. There has been little or no crime committed and consequently no criminal docket. No disturbances of the public peace, nor drunkenness nor rowdyism. The jail stands empty. Peace, good order, harmony and prosperity prevail throughout every section of the parish. This state of affairs is attributed to one grand cause—the absence of spirituous liquors."

While the temperance vote in the United States has more than doubled in two years, the cause in our own State has made prodigious strides, and there is everything to cheer and nothing to dishearten in the outlook. Other parishes will soon be like Sabine, rejoicing in their deliverance from the rum fiend's power. wherever prohibition prevails, success is mainly due to Christian men and Christian women, and the church of God is able everywhere to conquer her foes. Our General Conference gave forth no uncertain sound on this great question, and our Annual Conferences, one after another, have been no less distinct and emphatic in their condemnation of the licensed liquor traffic and their demand upon the membership to work, and pray, and vote for its prohibition. The Louisiana Conference claims her place in the front rank, and her ministers and members have no backward steps to take.

Whereas, The whole liquor license system is thoroughly iniquitous, and hence no Christian can keep a "conscience void of offense towards God and man" and yet vote for license, be it high, low or graded; therefore, be it

Resolved, That as heretofore we do now pledge ourselves to preach, pray, work and vote for the utter overthrow of the liquor traffic and the complete triumph of prohibition.

Resolved. That the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Louisiana has our entire confidence and full sympathy in their noble work for the saving of their brothers from the life and hell of the drunkard, and that they may count on our hearty co-operation and best aid in their behalf whenever they shall ask it at our hands, or come among us on their Christ-like mission.

Resolved. That we pray God's blessing upon all honest workers in the cause of temperance and prohibition.

Signed,

JOHN T. SAWYER, *Chairman.*

ON BIBLE CAUSE.

Your Committee on the Bible Cause find themselves somewhat perplexed as to what shall compose the body of this report. No communication has been received by them, and no matter of business has been referred. We deem it superfluous to give either an admonition or an exhortation to a body of preachers upon the right using and the appreciation of the Bible; for to the man of God, the teacher of righteousness, God's word must be the light, the life of his every inspiration, the arsenal from which he draws his ordnance, for it is only the knowledge that comes from a prayerful study and the daily reading of the holy word that can give spring to his bow and a point to his arrow. This painful truth, however, is forced upon the minds of your committee, and to which we would especially draw the attention of this Conference; That within our knowledge, no organized effort is being made for the distribution of the Scriptures within the bounds of this Conference. Who may be responsible for this condition of things, your committee is unable to say; but the fact is plainly patent. There is no effort outside of the regular ministry by agent or society to supply the masses with the precious word of truth, therefore, be it

Resolved. That we, the members of the Louisiana Annual Conference, will during the coming year make diligent inquiry, with a view to ascertain what may be the amount of destitution within the bounds of this Conference, and as far as practicable locate those places in which the Bible is not generally found in the homes of the people, and report the same to the Committee on the Bible Cause at next Annual Conference.

Resolved. That we, as preachers, impress upon our people, both young and old, the importance of each day reading a portion of the word of truth, and in our preaching stress or emphasize the point, that without the knowledge of the Bible, and a personal application of its truths, there can be no intelligent or acceptable worship of God.

T. K. FAUNT LEROY, *Chairman.*

ON BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

It seems that there is needed an annual call and exhortation to the people on this line; that with urgency we have to direct attention to the marvelous forces and amazing results seen bound up in and flowing from the literature of a people. A nation's literature is a nation's thought and character in print. This fact of itself is full of significance and solemnity. Who would hastily spread forth on the printed page his inmost life and character? And yet we cannot write without doing this. The page of book and paper is a strange, yet unfailing tidal mark. It tells unmistakably how high we have risen, or how low we have sunk in spiritual things. Just as no better declaration of the degenerate life in Pompeii exists than the sentences traced on the walls of its exhumed buildings; so we may know what we are by the books and papers that meet the eye on all sides. There are fearful secrets of the ocean left on the beach—not less plainly the opinions, the principles, the practices, the whole secret life of a people is thrown up and left stranded and fixed in the sentences of its literature. What need for the books of Judgment to condemn us, when the record of forgetfulness of God and duty is spread forth in our general literature.

Another solemn thought is that our mental tastes and inclinations assuredly declare the life within and the state of that life. A healthy man wants bread, a vitiated appetite seeks its gratification in confections and liquid poisons and stupefying drugs, and thus the wasted body goes on its degenerating way. The true heart and godly life craves the solid, the edifying and spiritual. This you know from the depths of a true religious experience. But what is it that the people at large crave—what is the mental appetite of the public? What is it that every man you meet carries in his hand, brings to his home, dives into with the morning light, broods over before retiring, clings to as the superstitious does to the amulet and the Catholic to his rosary. What is in it? What is dressed up and put forth in such attractive and tempting and excelling form as to please the public taste? I tell you, my brethren, that thousand of lovely characters are blessing the land whose names and deeds are never mentioned in such columns, nor are they sought; but let a man murder, steal or commit some low crime, and the whole thing is painted to the life, and not one of the foul words or disgusting details on the trial is omitted. Do we blame the newspapers? Not so much as we blame the people who seek such mental food. The papers give just what the people demand, and the vitiated public taste declares the degenerate character. But this style of paper is only one item. It is significant to notice the character of books that are sold in our trains and crowd the news stands and book-stalls.

And the question answered as to what your daughters are reading and what your boy is brooding over night, bring a revelation that would surprise and distress. I do not think that heads of families who pore over the details of some society scandal, need be astonished that their boys are absorbed in the pages of a yellow-backed literature that enervates and destroys both mind and morals. Here our mental appetites show what we are. What is our hope in this state of things? And what our remedy? My brethren, I see but one, and that is the persistent forcing upon our people a sound, wholesome, elevating literature. And tell me if the Church does not do this, who will? Certainly the word itself will not. As far as I can see, God has never poured a blessing on this world but through his Church. He has honored her ever in this way, and will continue to do so. Let men sneer as they will about the Church; but one thing is certain—that all our spiritual mercies and blessings have come through her. In this particular instance God's eye is on the Church. God's expectation is in his Church. It is the bride of the Lamb that is to give to men that reading that shall rebuke error, teach the better way, and prepare men by its purifying teachings for the coming of the Lord. Will she do it?

There is a secular paper in Paris that prints seven hundred thousand copies every week and distributes them. Shall the devil and a few men for gain do this, and the church with God and heaven as its support, not do greater things than these? Listen to Dr. Fitzgerald crying out for fifty thousand subscribers, and the NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE asking for seven or ten, with a million of Methodists at their back, truth on their side, and God overhead in plenitude of power, and yet content with these small figures, while one man in Paris or a dozen, working for self and money, get a million. May God bring us to greater victories than these for the religious paper!

In my report last year I said that on top of every error we ought to pile good books as high as the pyramids of Egypt, and utterly blot it out of the sight of men. While as for tracts, they ought to come down with the abundance and nourishing power of the manna. Shall we let a poor converted gypsy outdo us? A man who constantly distributed tracts, doing it in fear and trembling, under a social ban, but still doing it. The history of one left on a farmer's doorstep has been preserved. It was a single seed sown in love and prayer, and sown on a doorstep at that; but harvest of thousands of souls is the result. Can we not see greater things than this? Is there not a need for tracts? Tracts on all subjects—on doctrines, duties, Christian experience, and every other truth by which the man of God is thoroughly furnished. May the church enter upon this field that is white unto the harvest. The writer knows of two men in New Orleans—one a Seventh Day Baptist, or Adventist, and the other a Swedenborgian—who go about distributing their tracts that are filled with their peculiar heresies and unbeliefs.

And much evil they are doing. May we not be as diligent in the distribution of good publications as evil men are in the services of Satan? God grant it not to be long before we see a religious paper in every household, and books, sweet, pure, healthful, hopeful and heavenly, in every hand.

There is a ray of light that to the thoughtful is deeply significant and full of promise, not only of a coming dawn, but of a coming day. And that is the published sermons in our great public journals each Monday morning from the prominent pulpits of the land. Time was when the deliberations of such a body as this—when the proceedings of a camp meeting and when a published sermon was a thing unheard of. But these things are now constantly in print. We can not congregate here on the Lord's business but the country is told of it. We can not have a man in our midst, pouring forth thought baptised with the Holy Ghost, but it is given next morning to the world. What is the significance? Just this. It means that your devoted labors by press, pen and tongue are telling on the public mind and heart, that public tastes are changing, that the tide is turning, and the day—the long day desired, and seen afar off—the day of Jesus Christ is coming: when truth shall prevail instead of error, holiness instead of passion and sin, and when God shall not only be in the life of individuals, but in the life of the nations, and not only in the spoken word, but in the printed word, whether it be of tract or book or paper.

The Sunday-school literature published by our House at Nashville is before us. We have but one word to say in reference to it, and that word is one of commendation.

The Nashville Advocate, in our opinion, is constantly approximating the position that should be occupied by the connectional organ of a great church. We feel that the course pursued by the General Conference in regard to it in the appointment of an assistant editor, and the setting aside of a fund for the payment of contributed articles, was one of wisdom as well as necessity, and feel assured that the mightiest results for good will be the consequence.

The NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE certainly speaks for itself. As to its editorial matter and selections we feel that there can be but one opinion—and that is, that they are first class. How any Methodist Christian family can get along without this paper is a profound mystery to this committee.

Finally, we lift up a pleading voice in behalf of our Standard Hymn Book. Don't be beguiled out of it or away from it in any way. We direct the brethren to two facts: First, that we need never go out from its pages to find a stronger and truer expression of any or all conditions of religious experience; and, secondly, we will never have a book in our hands that God has so signally honored and blessed.

B. CARRADINE, Chairman.

ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Sunday-school Board are profoundly thankful that they are able to report a decided advance in all lines of Sunday-school work. On comparing the statistic reported to this session of the Conference with those of last year we, note the following increase: In the number of schools, 30; officers and teachers 181; scholars, 2,063; volumes in library, 2,410; periodicals taken, 1,604; amount collected for Sunday-school purposes, \$638.92; scholars received into the church, 48. We think this increase is indeed encouraging. One other item gathered from the statistics is, that very few of our charges have failed to report at least one Sunday-school, and some of those failing to report have not had pastors during the past year. In regard to our Sunday-school periodicals, we have so often spoken in words of commendation that former expression need not be repeated. We wish, however, to call the attention of the church to the fact that Rev. J. A. Lyons is devoting himself to the work of getting up a catalogue of books suitable for Sunday-school libraries. We can not too strongly emphasize the importance of securing for our children and youth, reading matter that is in every way sound and healthful; and while the consideration of this subject falls more directly in the field of the Committee on Church Publications, yet we would urge upon our Sunday-school workers the necessity of well selected libraries, and the

cultivation of a habit of reading among the scholars. In the month of March last, a State Sunday-school Convention was held in the city of New Orleans for the purpose of organization, and a more thorough canvass of the State in the interests of Sunday-school work. The design is to follow up the work already begun by an annual convention, such as is held in most other States, and we recommend that our people have themselves represented as well as may be practicable in these conventions.

We do not deem it necessary to offer a series of resolutions on a subject which is reviewed at every session of our Quarterly Conferences. We have only to use all the means which God has placed in our hands to bring the greater portion of the youth of our country under religious instruction and Divine influence. The relative number of accessions from our Sunday-schools to the church, as compared with that from the world, would clearly show that the Sunday-school is our plant-bed and that on the attention bestowed upon it by our pastors depends the future growth and fruitfulness of the garden of the Lord.

J. M. BROWN, Chairman.

ROLL OF THE CONFERENCE.

Arranged according to Seniority.

MEMBERS.	Entered Itinerancy.	Entered La. Conf.	Mode of Admission.
John Pipes .....	.....	1847	At Organization.
P. H. Dieffenweirth.....	.....	1849	Readmitted.
J. L. Wright.....	1848	1853	Readmitted.
B. F. Alexander.....	1852	1854	Transfer.
John A. Miller	1852	1855	Transfer.
B. F. White.....	.....	1856	Transfer.
T. H. McClendon.....	1855	1857	Transfer.
Jesse Fulton.....	1855	1857	Disciplinary Form.
T. J. Upton.....	.....	1858	Disciplinary Form.
A. G. Miller.....	1858	1858	Transfer.
J. H. Stone.....	1855	1859	Transfer.
Jno. F. Wynn.....	.....	1859	Disciplinary Form.
Frederick White.....	.....	1860	Readmitted.
H. O. White.....	.....	1862	Disciplinary Form.
Charles W. Carter.....	.....	1863	Disciplinary Form.
Edwin W. Yancey.....	.....	1863	Disciplinary Form.
Marcus C. Manley.....	.....	1769	Transfer.
R. Parvin.....	.....	1871	Transfer.
Robert A. Davis .....	.....	1971	Transfer.
Robert Randle.....	.....	1871	Disciplinary Form.
J. W. Medlock.....	.....	1873	Disciplinary Form.
C R. Godfrey.....	.....	1873	Readmitted.
George Jackson.....	.....	1873	Transfer.
George M. Liverman	1869	1873	Transfer.
Reynolds S. Tripett.....	.....	1873	Transfer.
J. M. Brown .....	.....	1873	Transfer.
C, Keener.....	.....	1874	Disciplinary Form.
E, B, Foust.....	1871	1874	Transfer.
T. S. Randle.....	.....	1875	Disciplinary Form.
William Hart.....	.....	1875	Disciplinary Form.
J D. Harper.....	.....	1875	Disciplinary Form.
Robert S. Isabell.....	.....	1875	Disciplinary Form.
James J. Billingsley.....	.....	1875	Disciplinary Form.
F. G. Hocutt.....	.....	1875	Disciplinary Form.
J. T. Sawyer.....	.....	1875	Disciplinary Form.
W. R. Whatley.....	.....	1875	Disciplinary Form.
J. B. Walker.....	1836	1875	Transfer.

ROLL OF THE CONFERENCE—Continued.

MEMBERS.	Entered Itinerancy.	Entered La. Conf.	Mode of Admission.
A. E. Clay.....	1875	Disciplinary Form.
J. M. Johnston.....	1865	1875	Transfer.
N. S. Cornell.....	1875	Readmitted.
Lewis A. Reed.....	1875	Readmitted.
James A. Parker.....	1860	1876	Transfer.
A. A. Cornett.....	1876	Transfer.
J. F. Patterson.....	1876	Disciplinary Form.
T. K. Faunt Le Roy.....	1877	Disciplinary Form.
J. B. Cassity.....	1879	Disciplinary Form.
A. M. Wailes.....	1880	Disciplinary Form.
Samuel S. Keener.....	1880	Disciplinary Form.
J. L. P. Sheppard.....	1876	1880	Disciplinary Form.
J. M. Beard.....	1872	1880	Disciplinary Form.
R. M. Blocker.....	1882	Disciplinary Form.
Charles T. Munholland.....	1882	Disciplinary Form.
A. T. Galloway.....	1882	Disciplinary Form.
R. S. Collier.....	1883	Disciplinary Form.
S. H. Whatley.....	1883	Disciplinary Form.
Charles F. Evans.....	1864	1883	Transfer.
B. Carradine.....	1883	Transfer.
R. J. Harp.....	1884	Readmitted.
Francis M. Grace.....	1852	1884	Transfer.
S. Halsey Werlein.....	1884	Transfer.
J. White Davis.....	1884	Disciplinary Form.
John M. Davis.....	1885	Disciplinary Form.
William Wimberly.....	1885	Disciplinary Form.
E. B. Galloway.....	1885	Disciplinary Form.
F. D. Van Valkenburg.....	1885	Transfer.
Thomas B. White.....	1885	Transfer.
James P. Porter.....	1886	Disciplinary Form.
Stephen J. Davies.....	1886	Disciplinary Form.
Jeptha Landrum.....	1886	Disciplinary Form.
Daniel C. Barr.....	1886	Disciplinary Form.
J. B. A. Ahrens.....	1887	Transfer.
C. Kundsén.....	1887	Transfer.
J. J. Blanz.....	1887	Transfer.
J. T. Daves.....	1887	Transfer.
A. T. Galloway.....	1887	Transfer.
J. H. Scruggs.....	1887	Transfer.
Whitmel P. Kimball.....	1887	Readmitted.
H. D. Kimball.....	1887	Disciplinary Form.
H. J. Boltz.....	1887	Disciplinary Form.
Wilson Moore.....	1887	Disciplinary Form.

LAY DELEGATES.

New Orleans District.—W. H. N. Magruder, W. H. Foster, B. O. L. Rayne, Hugh Jamieson.

Shreveport District.—Rev. Thomas W. Scott, T. C. Hodges, C. J. Foster, S. B. McCutchen,

Alexandria District.—G. W. Bruce, J. B. Pickles, T. C. Barron, A. A. Dean.

Opelousas District.—E. W. Cushman, W. B. Pilley, Robt. Riggs, Levi Upton.

Delhi District.—T. H. Dalton, W. S. H. Wailes, Dr. A. S. Helmick, Saml. Whited.

Homer District.—W. W. Pattison, L. R. Lay, Dr. R. Roberts, Rev. Jno. Jno. L. Williams.

STATISTICAL REPORT NO. 1.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.—J. B. WALKER, P. E.

NAME OF WORK—NAME OF PREACHER.	Members.		Baptisms		Collected for Missions.					Ministerial Support.						Sunday-Schools.								
	White.	Colored.	Local Preachers.	Adults.	Infants.	For Foreign by Churches.	For Foreign by Sunday-Schools.	For Domestic by Churches.	By Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Total for Missions.	Allowance of Presiding Elder.	Receipt of Presiding Elder.	Allowance of Preacher in Charge.	Receipts of Preacher in Charge.	Collected for Bishops.	Collected for Conference Claimants.	Total for Ministerial Support.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Number of Volumes in Library.	No. of S. S. Periodicals Taken.	Collected for Sunday-School Purposes.	No. of S. S. Scholars Received in to the Church.
Carondelet Street—C. W. Carter.....	500	2		5	10	\$174 00	\$106 00	\$103 00	\$130 00	\$513 00	\$250 00	\$190 00	\$2000 00	\$1862 00	\$63 00	\$217 00	\$2332 00	1	23	170	900	155	\$40 00	.....
Felicity Street—S. H. Werlein.....	346			6	9	364 30	93 00	130 00	1 00 00	687 30	250 00	250 00	2000 00	2000 00	63 50	220 00	2533 50	2	35	245	1500	305	312 22	15
St. Charles Avenue—B. Carradine.....	240	1		3	2	170 00	30 00	35 00	75 00	310 00	186 00	186 50	1500 00	1500 00	47 00	100 00	1833 50	1	20	150	800	200	50 00	...
Moreau Street—H. C. Kimball.....	150			3	13		77 10	31 00		108 10	72 00	72 00	600 00	645 85	18 00	66 55	802 40	1	13	130	1200	195		3
Louisiana Avenue—B. F. White.....	184				18	185 25	42 75	46 00	76 25	350 25	112 00	112 00	900 00	901 05	28 00	97 00	1138 05	1	19	165	500	251	229 05	7
Algiers and Gretna—Chas. E. McLean.....	116			2	12	73 85	50 40	31 00		155 25	72 00	72 75	600 00	600 00	18 00	65 00	755 75	2	16	137	270	116	91 58	5
Carrollton Avenue—Fitz. S. Parker.....	59			1	1	40 00	5 00			45 00	36 00	26 00	200 00	262 00	8 00	3 00	299 00	2	29	270		350	113 95	.....
Baton Rouge—T. K. Faunt LeRoy.....	284	1		7	31	100 00		15 00	14 10	129 10	136 00	136 00	1300 00	1060 00	34 00	100 00	1330 00	1	15	157	600	265	90 65	17
Gross Tete and False River—Louis A. Ried.....	49	2		1	8	14 30		8 85		23 15	36 00	36 70	600 00	271 70	8 45	12 70	329 55	2	6	25				1
Plaquemine and Donaldsonville—F. G. Hocutt.....	42			2	6	25 00				25 00	50 00	134 50	600 00	416 00	7 00	25 00	582 50	1	4	30	40	26	9 90	3
Total.....	1970	2	4	30	110	\$1146 70	\$404 25	\$399 85	\$395 35	\$2346 15	\$1200 00	\$1216 45	\$10,360 00	\$9518 60	\$294 95	\$906 25	\$11,936 25	14	180	1479	5810	1863	\$937 35	51

LOUISIANA DISTRICT.—J. B. A. AHRENS, P. E.

St. Tammany Miss.—F. Mathies.....	25	1	.....	7	\$4 00	.....	\$2 00	.....	\$6 00	\$8 00	\$8 09	\$100 00	\$75 00	\$1 50	\$1 00	\$35 50	1	2	10	100	10	\$2 50	.....
Lake Charles—H. W. Weise.....	36	1	.....	7	15 00	.....	11 00	.....	26 00	20 00	10 00	350 00	350 00	5 00	10 00	375 00	1	9	50	100	20	15 00	.....
Buetsville—C. Kundsens.....	58	1	.....	.....	5 00	.....	2 00	.....	7 00	.....	11 65	.....	5 00	2 00	.....	18 65	1	1	15	30	27	3 20	.....
Craps Street, N. O.—J. B. A. Ahrens.....	85	1	.....	12	25 00	.....	10 00	.....	35 00	.....	.....	700 00	700 00	5 00	3 00	708 00	1	12	65	300	85	25 00	8
Soraparu Street, N. O.—J. J. Blanz.....	50	1	.....	7	19 65	.....	10 00	.....	29 65	.....	.....	350 06	350 00	5 00	2 50	357 50	1	7	40	300	40	15 00	.....
Dryades Street, N. O.—P. Hensch.....	139	1	1	12	82 00	.....	21 50	.....	103 50	.....	.....	500 00	500 00	7 00	12 00	519 00	1	8	50	500	50	29 45	.....
Total.....	393	4	1	45	\$150 65	.....	\$56 50	.....	\$207 15	\$28 00	\$29 65	\$2000 00	\$1980 00	\$25 50	\$28 50	\$2063 65	6	39	230	1330	232	\$90 15	8

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.—B. F. ALEXANDER, P. E.

Shreveport—Chas. F. Evans.....	320	1	14	24	\$216 50	.....	\$60 00	\$250 00	\$526 50	\$250 00	\$250 00	\$2000 00	\$2000 00	\$23 70	\$161 50	\$2435 20	1	14	180	300	212	\$45 00	21
Caddo Circuit—J. B. Cassity.....	240	2	19	11	75 00	.....	20 00	.....	95 00	100 00	81 25	800 00	694 00	10 00	40 00	825 25	3	21	85	.....	75	18 00	.....
Mansfield—R. J. Harp.....	197	1	4	.....	186 60	.....	35 00	113 75	335 35	75 00	49 65	1000 00	700 00	10 00	55 00	814 65	2	19	90	180	130	47 50	13
Grand Cane—W. Wimberly.....	180	3	47	20	25 00	\$2 00	6 00	.....	33 00	50 00	30 00	500 00	409 00	5 00	12 00	456 00	2	15	115	130	115	28 00	.....
Sabine Circuit—H. J. Boltz.....	227	2	8	26	5 00	.....	4 00	.....	9 00	40 00	28 00	335 00	263 48	1 00	3 00	295 48	5	29	195	.....	63	11 70	.....
Anacoco—John Franklin.....	190	1	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	10 00	185 00	142 35	1 50	1 00	154 35	4	15	80	.....	25	5 00	.....
Pleasant Hill—John M. Johnston.....	373	1	13	16	12 50	.....	10 00	.....	22 50	60 00	32 00	525 00	340 00	5 00	12 25	389 25	5	32	240	250	47	27 00	12
Natchitoches—R. S. Isbell.....	317	1	43	9	35 00	.....	15 02	.....	50 02	75 00	26 95	850 00	450 75	10 00	20 00	507 70	4	17	268	380	.....	50 00	38
Coushatta—J. A. Bonnett.....	314	3	4	10	20 00	.....	5 00	.....	25 00	100 00	36 80	800 00	276 90	3 00	12 40	329 10	6	20	128	.....	113	34 85	.....
Red River Circuit—R. S. Trippett.....	20	.....	.....	4	20 00	.....	5 00	.....	25 00	80 00	69 00	1000 00	800 00	10 00	22 50	901 50	1	7	30	50	90	45 00	.....
South Bossier—R. M. Blocker, H. S. Johns.....	342	.....	48	18	.....	.....	10 00	30 00	40 00	80 00	66 90	800 00	668 80	4 00	15 00	754 70	5	25	190	.....	180	13 40	20
North Bossier—E. B. Faust.....	254	.....	18	7	11 50	.....	6 00	.....	17 50	50 00	35 12	500 00	316 10	5 00	10 25	366 47	4	12	65	.....	5 56	.....	.....
Mooringsport—J. S. Saunders.....	153	1	13	4	10 00	.....	2 50	.....	12 50	40 00	26 25	400 00	250 25	2 50	5 00	284 00	1	6	50	50	120	16 65	.....
North-West Caddo—J. C. Carnline.....	64	1	20	5	2 00	.....	1 25	.....	3 25	10 00	7 50	250 00	86 80	.....	.....	94 30	2	7	45	.....	.....	.....	.....
Many—S. S. Halliday.....	173	1	24	10	7 00	.....	2 00	.....	9 00	20 00	18 00	350 00	336 30	.....	.....	354 30	5	16	100	50	150	8 00	18
Provencal—J. F. Carroll.....	156	1	16	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	10 00	150 00	139 00	1 00	1 00	151 00	1	6	75	.....	.....	7 50	5
Total.....	3520	219	294	172	\$626 10	\$2 00	\$181 77	\$393 75	\$1203 62	\$950 00	\$777 42	\$10,445 00	\$7873 73	\$91 20	\$370 90	\$9113 25	51	261	1936	1390	1320	\$363 10	127

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.—J. D. HARPER, P. E.

NAME OF WORK—NAME OF PREACHER.	Members.		Baptisms.		Collected for Missions.					Ministerial Support.							Sunday-Schools.								
	White.	Colored.	Local Preachers.	Adults.	Infants.	For Foreign by Churches.	For Foreign by Sunday-Schools.	For Domestic by Churches.	By Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Total for Missions.	Allowance of Pre-siding Elder.	Receipt of Presiding Elder.	Allowance of Preacher in Charge.	Receipts of Preacher in Charge.	Collected for Bish-ops.	Collected for Conference Claimants.	Total for Ministerial Support.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Number of Volumes in Library.	No. of S. S. Periodicals Taken.	Collected for Sunday-School Purposes.	No. of S. S. Scholars Received in to the Church.	
Alexandria—J. M. Beard.....	190	2		4	12	\$50 00	\$1 00	\$4 20	\$3 00	\$58 20	\$88 00	\$45 00	\$800 00	\$470 00	\$8 00	\$20 00	\$543 00	4	20	125	200	100	\$70 00	5	
Rapides—Supply.....	96			2	3	5 20		1 25		6 45	25 00	7 00		5 50		250 00	15 00	1	5	20	20		4 25		
Jena and Centreville—J. J. Masters.....	136	1									40 00	6 05		18 50		190 00	26 45	1	10	50	100				
Trout Creek—W. R. Whateley.....	50			2	20			2 25		2 25	40 00	17 75		75 00	1 00	2 00	95 75	2	8	50	20		3 00	3	
Columbia—N. S. Cornell.....	209	4		2	14	20 00		5 00		25 00	75 00	50 00		506 22	2 50	20 00	578 72	3	13	110	125		15 00		
Winfield—D. C. Barr.....	270			23	27			4 50		4 50	35 00	28 00		300 00	238 43	1 25	4 50	272 20	2	16	100		75		5
Evergreen—S. H. Whateley.....	131			3	14	13 00	1 60			14 60	70 00	33 00		466 42	2 00	5 00	508 42	7	28	300	350	500	75 00	2	
Simmsport—J. Landrum.....	40			10	7						60 00	25 00		600 00		3 00	278 00	2	15	50			20 00		
Spring Creek—Fred. White.....	290	1		1	4						40 00	6 85		400 00		5 00	41 85	6	20	175	200	224	31 10	1	
Sugar Town—F. D. Van Valkenburg.....	200			1	10	2 50		1 00		3 50	50 00	16 60		177 92		1 00	195 52	7	33	275		227	31 10		
Trinity—Wilson Moore.....	26				2	2 00				2 00	30 00	20 00		250 00	2 00	5 55	227 55	2	6	30		24			
Colfax and Montgomery—R. A. Davis.....	295			5	8	10 50		5 50		16 00	50 00	33 15		525 00	2 75	9 70	392 25								
Hineston—W. W. Monroe.....	117	3		6	22						25 00	16 35		150 00	43 75		59 10	2	4	60				1	
Point Meagre—Geo. Jackson.....	143	2		3	27	1 50				1 50	40 00	14 35		400 00	101 55	1 00	121 90	5	26	200	352	35	24 25	12	
Total.....	2193	13		62	170	\$104 70	\$2 60	\$23 70	\$3 00	\$134 00	\$668 00	\$319 10	\$4975 00	\$2928 96	\$20 50	\$85 15	\$3353 71	44	204	1545	1367	1185	\$273 70	29	

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT.—S. S. KEENER, P. E.

Opelousas—J. D. Jackson.....	146	1		3	13			\$20 00		\$20 00	\$80 00	\$70 30	\$600 00	\$400 00	\$10 00	\$50 00	\$530 30	1	11	58		70	\$34 20	10
Washington—J. P. Porter.....	119	1		1	7	35 00		5 00		40 00	40 00	40 00		500 00	6 00	16 00	402 00	2	8	45	300	90	16 60	3
Rayne and Plaquemine—S. S. Keener.....	220				6	45 00		25 00		70 00	80 00	35 00		600 00	10 00	50 00	465 00	2	15	130	75	100	90 00	
LaFayette—E. B. Galloway.....	67	1		1	6	39 45	7 55	16 50		63 50	40 00	23 05		360 00	5 15	10 80	256 85	1	8	35	67	75	8 50	
New Iberia—H. O. White.....	201	2		7	20	39 70	10 25	11 50		61 45	80 00	70 25		900 00	10 60	32 55	676 45	1	15	133	226	210	60 86	7
Franklin—G. A. Mandeville.....	116			1	3	14 00	4 60	2 25		20 85	150 00	56 80		1000 00	10 00	9 25	443 40	1	6	60		90	14 25	1
Morgan City—A. E. Clay.....	55			3	16	25 00		10 00		35 00	80 00	66 00		750 00	10 00	40 00	580 00	1	8	40		60	31 45	14
Pattersonville—Franklin N. Parker.....	51	1		2	8	20 00	2 00	8 50		30 50	40 00	46 00		480 00	5 00	16 00	547 00	1	4	28			17 20	
Lake Charles—A. T. Galloway.....	158	1		8	15	11 45	47 00	9 00		67 45	70 00	72 95		720 00	10 00	34 55	734 50	2	22	200	300	276	121 45	6
Abbeville—M. C. Manly.....	156	1		5	11	40 00	4 60	16 25		60 85	40 00	38 00		700 00	7 00	30 00	324 00	2	12	140	50	116	22 00	6
Grand Cheniere—R. P. Howell.....	61			11	8	3 00			17 90	20 90	45 00	10 00		300 00	5 00		109 60	2	11	100		80	8 40	
Sulphur Mine—R. P. Howell.....	77	2		6	3	1 20	5 00			6 20	30 00	26 10		200 00	5 00		134 60	2	11	54	80	71	50 00	
Kimball Chapel—R. Harry.....	150	2			50	40 00		16 15		56 15	40 00	40 00		300 00	5 00	30 00	375 00							
Jeanerette and Cypremort—J. White Davis.....	33			2	15	1 00	2 60			3 60	60 00	14 50		400 00	1 00		100 65	2	8	45	60	48	46 90	10
Total.....	1640	212		50	181	\$314 80	\$83 60	\$140 15	\$17 90	\$556 45	\$875 00	\$608 95	\$7810 00	\$4652 12	\$99 15	\$319 15	\$5679 35	20	139	1068	1158	1286	\$521 81	57

DELHI DISTRICT.—ROBERT RANDLE, P. E.

Monroe and Delhi—A. C. Coney.....	201	1	3	3	\$65 00	.....	\$11 90	\$5 50	\$82 40	\$100 00	\$80 00	\$1000 00	\$528 00	\$10 00	\$35 20	\$653 20	2	15	180	200	250	\$21 00	1
Trenton—Wm. Hart.....	163	1	.....	3	30 25	\$2 75	5 00	3 40	41 40	90 00	33 50	800 00	384 00	4 00	21 00	442 50	2	12	78	200	200	15 00	.....
Bastrop—J. A. Parker.....	171	1	10	7	89 00	.....	5 25	.....	94 25	110 00	80 00	1100 00	771 80	8 00	43 00	902 80	1	10	83	180	96	32 00	19
Lind Grove—Thomas Randle.....	276	1	11	.....	26 50	.....	5 00	.....	31 50	95 00	55 00	650 00	450 00	8 65	23 50	537 15	3	15	81	150	68	10 00	12
Floyd—J. F. Patterson.....	370	1	16	15	40 00	.....	8 35	.....	48 35	90 00	60 20	800 00	443 95	8 65	23 00	535 80	3	16	108	150	56	.....	8
Lake Providence—T. J. Upton.....	77	1	.....	1	20 00	.....	7 90	.....	27 90	90 00	77 85	807 50	648 05	5 00	30 00	760 90	1	5	30	100	40	.....	1
Oak Ridge—John F. Wynn.....	200	.....	4	16	66 50	.....	5 00	.....	71 50	95 00	80 00	700 00	600 00	5 50	28 55	714 05	3	15	60	.....	80	12 50	10
Richland—C. T. Munholland.....	178	.....	9	10	20 25	.....	10 00	.....	30 25	80 00	43 35	800 00	371 10	7 00	15 00	436 45	2	6	30	120	130	5 25	2
Winnboro—J. F. Scurlock.....	95	.....	.....	4	3 60	.....	.....	.....	3 60	75 00	32 15	550 00	181 00	1 00	4 25	218 40	1	4	30	25	48	7 00	.....
Harrisonburg—T. H. McClendon.....	117	.....	4	12	17 50	.....	2 50	.....	20 00	80 00	37 85	400 00	183 38	4 00	6 50	231 73	2	13	60	50	25	15 00	4
Waterproof and Tensas—J. M. Brown.....	64	.....	1	7	7 25	5 20	.....	.....	12 45	90 00	.....	800 00	283 25	1 50	12 80	297 55	1	10	65	300	70	22 80	1
Tensas Circuit—J. E. Riddle.....	45	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80 00	42 00	162 50	162 50	.....	4 00	208 50	1	4	7	.....	8	.....	.....
Madison.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	1997	3	4	60	78	\$385 85	\$7 95	\$60 90	\$8 90	\$463 50	\$1075 00	\$621 90	\$8570 00	\$5007 03	\$63 30	\$246 80	\$5939 03	22	125	812	1475	1071	\$140 55	58

HOMER DISTRICT.—J. T. SAWYER, P. E.

Homer—J. W. Medlock.....	300	3	8	8	\$60 00	\$14 50	\$30 00	\$26 00	\$130 50	\$160 00	\$105 15	\$700 00	\$583 10	\$12 00	\$59 00	\$759 25	3	25	150	....	160	\$38 05	8
Haynesville—C. R. Godfrey.....	316	1	19	....	130 00	....	19 00	....	119 00	160 00	110 00	500 00	511 00	13 00	27 00	661 00	5	25	177	36	124	22 00	14
Minden—J. J. Billingsly.....	250	....	28	3	100 00	....	35 00	....	135 00	160 00	141 00	800 00	635 75	13 00	50 00	839 75	3	26	218	....	....	50 00	....
Brushwood—W. P. Kimball.....	140	1	5	3	2 50	....	2 50	....	5 00	75 00	42 10	275 00	214 40	2 50	3 00	262 00	1	4	36	100	106	....	....
Ringold—Philip Burkett.....	246	3	6	7	27 00	....	5 00	....	32 00	75 00	20 30	385 00	279 67	4 90	8 25	313 12	4	18	100	60	7	....	....
Sparta—R. Parvin.....	348	3	10	12	18 00	....	5 00	....	23 00	65 00	35 65	500 00	375 42	5 00	12 00	428 07	6	38	400	....	100	12 00	6
Saline—B. H. Rushing.....	92	1	3	4	....	....	....	....	....	10 00	10 00	....	19 43	....	....	29 43	4	8	80	150	24	1 20	2
Arcadia—Jno. A. Miller.....	332	2	23	10	72 00	....	20 00	16 70	108 70	150 00	107 55	700 00	634 65	10 00	48 00	800 20	3	27	208	119	246	74 40	37
Tulip—J. L. P. Shepherd.....	270	1	25	10	55 00	....	10 00	....	65 00	90 00	63 00	505 00	472 00	5 00	20 00	600 00	2	20	85	100	135	....	10
Summerfield—J. M. Davis.....	270	3	5	6	28 00	60	4 00	5 00	37 60	75 20	31 30	450 00	170 00	3 00	13 00	217 30	2	11	62	....	63	2 00	....
Ruston—T. B. White.....	128	1	16	1	55 00	....	20 00	56 45	131 45	85 00	85 00	800 00	800 00	10 00	35 00	930 00	1	17	127	....	180	66 10	22
Douglas—J. L. Williams.....	350	1	58	5	33 00	....	15 00	....	48 00	70 00	45 15	470 00	281 50	5 00	20 00	351 65	5	21	195	125	....	25 00	....
Vernon—Jas. L. Wright.....	240	....	4	1	15 50	....	6 00	1 00	22 50	80 00	33 55	500 00	400 00	5 00	27 50	466 05	2	8	50	....	50	6 00	....
Indian Village—H. W. May.....	240	7	15	....	14 25	....	3 55	....	17 80	60 00	40 30	400 00	168 45	1 25	5 05	215 95	7	35	175	....	228	....	16
Downsville—R. S. Collier.....	362	2	13	5	35 00	....	10 00	27 50	72 50	110 00	65 50	475 00	371 55	5 00	25 00	467 05	2	13	115	....	152	20 00	....
Farmerville—W. W. Nicholson.....	178	....	4	....	32 80	....	9 85	....	42 65	75 00	38 85	450 00	259 60	3 95	16 40	318 80	1	9	42	....	54	32 00	....
Totals.....	4062	130	242	75	\$648 05	\$15 10	\$194 00	\$132 65	\$990 70	\$1500 00	\$974 40	\$7910 00	\$6176 52	\$98 60	\$370 10	\$7619 62	51	305	2220	690	1629	\$349 25	115

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.—J. D. HARPER, P. E.

NAMES OF CHURCH—NAMES OF PREACHERS.	Miscellaneous Collections.				Church Property.							
	For the Poor.	For Education.	For Other Objects.	For Church Extension.	Number of Churches.	Value of Churches.	Number of Parsonages.	Value of Parsonages.	Other Church Property.	Value of Other Church Property.	Collected for Church building and repairs.	Collected for Parsonage building and repairs.
Alexandria—J. M. Beard.....	\$10 00	\$ 00	\$40 00	\$5 20	5	\$7000 00	2	\$3000 00			\$1200 00	
Rapides.....					3	500 00	1	300 00			30 00	\$250 00
Jena and Centreville—J. J. Masters.....					2	400 00				100 00		
Trout Creek—W. R. Whateley.....												
Columbia—N. S. Cornell.....				3 00	5	3850 00	1	500 00				100 00
Winfield—D. C. Barr.....					1	500 00	1	200 00	1 Lot.....	30 00		75 00
Evergreen—S. H. Whateley.....	10 00	1 00	46 00	2 00	4	3000 00	1	380 00	1 Lot and Graveyard.....	100 00	50 00	12 00
Simmsport—J. Landrum.....					2	1500 00					50 00	
Spring Creek—Fred. White.....					6	1400 00	1	150 00	2 Camp grounds & Church lot.....	1500 00		200 00
Sugar Town—F. D. Van Valkenburg.....							1	250 00	1 Camp ground.....	100 00		1 00
Trinity—Wilson Moore.....					2	400 00						
Colfax and Montgomery—R. A. Davis.....					1	1000 00	1	500 00	1 Schoolhouse & 2 Lots.....	400 00		
Hineston—W. W. Monroe.....					3	500 00			1 Camp ground.....	1000 00		
Point Meagre—Geo. Jackson.....					4½	1700 00			1 Acre of land.....	5 00	50 00	
Total.....	\$20 00	\$4 00	\$86 00	\$10 20	38½	\$21750 00	8	\$5280 00		\$3232 00	\$1380 00	\$638 00

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT.—S. S. KEENER, P. E.

Opelousas—J. D. Jackson.....	\$20 00	\$5 00	\$134 30	\$5 00	1	\$3000 00	1	\$2000 00				
Washington—J. P. Porter.....		6 00	85 00	5 50	2	2700 00				300 50		
Rayne and Plaquemine Brule—S. S. Kenner.....			43 00	23 00	2	3000 00	1	800 00		70 00		
La Fayette—E. B. Galloway.....			17 05	3 30	1	1300 00	1	900 00				
New Iberia—H. O. White.....	7 00	3 50		10 40	1	4300 00	1	2200 00			10 00	
Franklin—G. A. Mandeville.....		1 70	76 30	3 40	2	2600 00	1	2800 00			270 00	
Morgan City—A. E. Clay.....			33 80		1	2000 00	1	1500 00	Parsonage furniture.....	300 00		1600 00
Pattersonville—Franklin N. Parker.....	3 50	5 00	360 00		2	3600 00	1	450 00		250 00	1300 00	
Lake Charles—A. T. Galloway.....		5 80	78 15	5 50	1	1250 00	1	1250 00				
Abbeville—M. C. Manly.....		5 00		11 50	2	2500 00				125 00		
Grand Cheniere—R. P. Howell.....					1	500 00	1	350 00				
Sulphur Mine—R. P. Howell.....		5 00	8 00	6 00	2	1000 00						
Kimball Chapel—R. Harry.....		5 00		11 45	1	1000 00						
Jeanerette and Cypremort—J. White Davis.....			21 95		1	1500 00	1	1100 00				
Total.....	\$30 50	\$42 00	\$857 54	\$85 10	20	\$30250 00	10	\$13250 00		\$550 00	\$1795 50	\$1880 00

DELHI DISTRICT.—ROBERT RANDLE, P. E.

Monroe and Delhi—A. C. Couey.....	\$8 25	\$12 15	2	\$5075 00	1							
Trenton—Wm. Hart.....	2 50	8 50	3	3000 00	1	700 00	1 House and lot in Trenton..	120 00	500 00	530 00		
Bastrop—J. A. Parker.....	6 00	56 20	3	5500 00	1	1000 00	2 Organs.....	120 00	12 50	38 75		
Lind Grove—Thos. Randall.....	3 20	25 00	4	2200 00	1	1000 00	1 Old church building.....	100 00	5 25	12 80		
Floyd—J. F. Patterson.....	2 50	2 50	3	865 00	1	500 00			24 00	14 65		
Lake Providence—T. J. Upton.....			2	1200 00			2 Lots.....	230 00	525 00			
Oak Ridge—John F. Wynn.....	15 00	5 15	2	3000 00	1	700 00	1 Lot.....	25 00	100 00			
Richland—C. T. Munholland.....		23 03	1	500 00	1	400 00	1 Organ and 2 Acres land.....	25 00				
Winnaboro—J. F. Scurlock.....		5 00	4	5200 00								
Harristonturg—T. H. McClendon.....	1 00	1 30	3	2000 00								
Waterproof and Tensas—J. M. Brown.....		5 75	4	4500 00	1	800 00						
Tensas Circuit—J. E. Riddle.....			2				1 Acre land.....	10 00				
Madison.....												
Total.....	\$15 00	\$28 60	\$209 25	\$45 85	32	\$33040 00	7	\$5100 00	\$600 00	\$1166 75	\$596 20	

HOMER DISTRICT.—J. T. SAWYER, P. E.

Homer—J. W. Medlock.....		\$12 00	\$6 25	\$25 00	3	\$4500 00	1	\$800 00		\$57 60	\$97 00	
Haynesville—C. R. Godfrey.....		5 00	68 00	30 00	5	4500 00	1	666 00		818 75	66 00	
Minden—J. J. Billingsly.....		13 00	41 50	30 00	3	2850 00	1	900 00	175 00	460 00	22 00	
Brushwood—W. P. Kimball.....					2	800 00						
Ringold—Phillip Burkett.....	21 00		29 50	14 00	4	800 00	1	300 00		150 00		
Sparta—R. Parvin.....		1 00	3 00	2 00	5	1500 00						
Saline—B. H. Rushing.....					4	400 00					9 00	
Arcadia—Jno. A. Miller.....		9 20	17 85	16 00	3	2900 00	1	1000 00	250 00	600 00		
Tulip—J. L. P. Sheppard.....				10 00	3	2000 00	1	450 00				
Summerfield—J. M. Davis.....		2 00		11 00	4	2000 00	1	300 00	45 00	200 00	49 00	
Ruston—T. B. White.....	5 50	10 00	84 00	20 00	1	3000 00						
Douglas—J. L. Williams.....		5 00		10 00	4	1770 00	1	250 00		200 00		
Vernon—Jas. L. Wright.....		2 00	14 50	5 00	6 1/4	1600 00	1	350 00	300 00		125 00	
Indian Village—H. W. May.....					8	765 00			47 00			
Downsville—R. S. Collier.....	24 00	2 50	18 00	10 00	4	850 00	1	400 00	500 00		17 50	
Farmersville—W. W. Nicholson.....		3 95	29 25	9 85	3	1000 00						
Total.....		\$50 50	\$65 65	\$311 85	\$192 85	62 1/4	\$31235 00	10	\$5416 00	\$1317 00	\$2486 35	\$385 50

RECAPITULATION.

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NAMES OF CHURCH—NAMES OF PREACHERS.	Miscellaneous Collections.				Church Property.							
	For the Poor.	For Education.	For Other Objects.	For Church Extension.	Number of Churches.	Value of Churches.	Number of Parsonages.	Value of Parsonages.	Other Church Property.	Value of Other Church Property.	Collected for Church building and repairs.	Collected for Parsonage building and repairs.
Carondelet Street—C. W. Carter.....	\$155 00	\$63 00	\$1355 50	\$ 65 00	1	\$35,000 00	1	.....	N. O., Depository, \$15,000;	\$122,000 00	100 00	.....
Felicity Street—S. H. Werlein.....	148 25	63 15	964 20	130 00	1	25,000 00	1	.....	Centenary College \$107,000.	.....	2134 00	.....
St. Charles Avenue—B. Carradine.....	.....	15 00	750 00	30 00	1	43,000 00	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Moreau Street—H. D. Kimball.....	.....	18 00	290 85	3 00	1	20,000 00	1	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....
Louisiana Avenue—B. F. White.....	28 80	20 20	205 90	26 90	1	5,000 00	1	.....	Foundation for New Church ..	4,000 00	684 75	.....
Algiers and Gretna—C. E. McLean.....	15 40	20 00	121 97	37 25	1	5,000 00	1	.....	Library and Organ.....	1,000 00	496 71	.....
Carrollton Avenue—Fitzgerald S. Parker.....	6 00	.....	200 00	.....	2	8,000 00	1	.....	.....	.....	2100 00	.....
Baton Rouge—T. K. Faunt LeRoy.....	54 75	15 00	199 65	10 00	1	25,000 00	1	200 00	.....	.....	87 50	20 00
Plaquemine and Donaldsonville—F. G. Hocutt.....	10 00	.....	6000 00	6 00	2	6,000 00	1	2500 00	.....	.....	839 18	69 00
Gross Tete and False River—Lewis A. Reid.....	.....	3 60	.....	.....	2	2,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	\$418 20	\$217 95	10088 07	\$308 15	13	\$174000 00	2	\$4500 00	\$127,000 00	\$6452 14	\$89 00

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St. Tammany Miss.—F. Matthies.....	1 50	1	\$ 1,200 00	1	200 00
Lake Charles—H. W. Weise.....	2 00	3 00	1	2,000 00	1	1000 00
Bentoville—C. Kundsden.....	.....	1 00	1 55	2 00	1	700 00	1	100 00	Building Material.....	150 00	.....	.....
Craps Street N. O.—J. B. A. Ahrens.....	10 00	2 10	.....	2 50	1	5,000 00	1	1000 00	.....	.....	200 00	.....
Scraparu Street N. O.—J. J. Blanz.....	5 00	.....	.....	2 50	1	4,000 00	1	5000 00	.....	.....	50 00	.....
Dryades Street N. O.—P. Hensch.....	7 45	2 75	2 75	6 25	1	18,000 00	1	3000 00	350 00	55 75
Total.....	\$22 45	\$7 85	\$4 30	\$17 75	6	\$30900 00	6	\$6300 00	\$500 00	\$305 75

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Shreveport—Chas. F. Evans.....	36 45	23 70	150 00	18 25	1	\$25,000 00	1	Parsonage Furniture.....	400 00	300 00
Caddo—J. B. Cassity.....	.....	10 00	62 85	26 15	4	3800 00	1	750 00	.....	500 00	20 00	.....
Mansfield—R. J. Harp.....	.....	10 00	.....	20 00	2	3500 00	1	225 00	Mansfield Female College.....	25,000 00	.....	48 00
Grand Cane—W. Wimberly.....	.....	10 00	.....	5 00	3	1300 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 00	.....
Sabine Circuit—H. J. Boltz.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Anacoco—John Franklin.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	5	400 00	.....	.....	40 Acres Land.....	100 00	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill—J. M. Johnston.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	3	3500 00	1	300 00	1 Camp Ground.....	300 00	700 00	35 00
Provencal—J. F. Carroll.....	6 25	1 00	.....	.....	2	500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Natchitoches—R. S. Isbell.....	12 00	5 00	24 35	.....	3	5000 00	1	100 00	3 Town Lots.....	275 00	635 00	18 00
Coushatta—J. H. Bonnette.....	.....	10 00	2 00	5 00	5	350 00	1	600 00	.....	.....	26 50	.....
Red River—R. S. Trippett.....	25 00	2 00	.....	2 50	2	3000 00	1	500 00	.....	.....	1300 00	68 00
South Bossier—R. M. Blocker, H. S. Johns.....	21 50	4 00	25 00	5 00	8½	6665 00	1	600 00	.....	.....	9 00	40 00
North Bossier—E. B. Foust.....	.....	2 00	.....	4 25	5	2600 00	1	.....	.....	3,050 00	44 15	.....
Mooringsport—J. S. Saunders.....	.....	6 00	.....	.....	3	2700 00	1	350 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
N. W. Caddo—J. C. Carrline.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	250 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 00	.....
Many—S. S. Holliday.....	15 00	5	1500 00
Total.....	\$101 20	\$84 70	\$279 20	\$88 15	52½	\$60,065 00	9	\$5450 00	\$29625 00	\$3096 65	\$209 00

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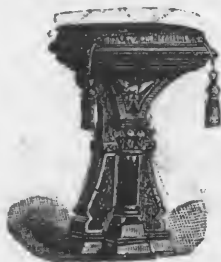
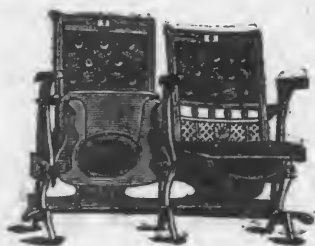
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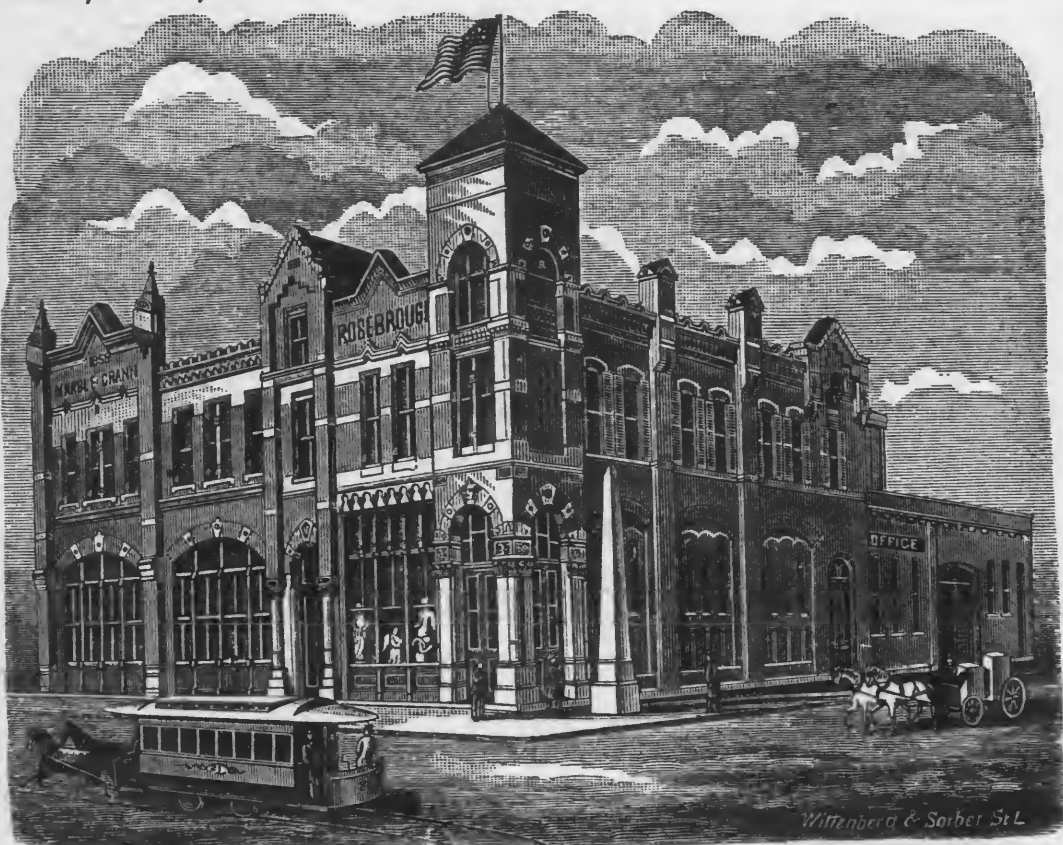
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